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A

COMEDY.

By SHAKESPEAR.



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Dramatis Personæ.

A Lord, before whom the Play is suppos'd to be play'd. Christopher Sly, a drunken Tinker.

Page, Players, Huntsmen, and other Servants attending on the Lord.

The Persons of the Play itself, are

Baptista, Father to Katharina and Biancha, very rich. Vincentio, an old Gentleman of Pisa.

Lucentio, Son to Vincentio, in Love wich Biancha.

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Gremio, Pretenders to Biancha.

Tranio, Servants to Lucentio.

Grumio, Servant to Petruchio.

Pedant, an old Fellow fet up to personate Vincentio.

Katharina, the Shrew. Biancha, her Sifter. Widow.

Taylor, Haberdashers, with Servants attending on Baptista and Petruchio.

SCENE in the latter End of the third, and beginning of the fourth Act, in Petruchio's House in the Country; for the rest of the Play in Padua.

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Taming of the Shrew.

ACT I. SCENE I.

Enter Hostess and Sly.

SLY.

LL pheeze you, in faith.

Host. A pair of stocks, you rogue: Sly. Y'are a baggage; the Slies are no rogues. Look in the Chronicles, we came in with Richard the Conqueror; therefore Paucus Pallabris let the world slide: Sessa.

Host. You will not pay for the glasses you have

Sly. No, not a deniere: go, by St. Jeronimy, go to

Host. I know my remedy; I must go fetch the eadborough.

Sly. Third, or fourth, or fifth borough. I'll anwer him by law; I'll not budge an inch, boy; let im come, and kindly. [Falls afleep.

Wind horns. Enter a lord from hunting with a train.

Lord. Huntsman, I charge thee tender well my hounds,

had couple Clowder with the deep-mouth'd brach.

Saw'st

Saw'st thou not, boy, how filver made it good At the hedge-corner in the coldest fault?

I would not lose the dog for twenty pound.

Hun. Why, Belman is as good as he, my lord; He cried upon it at the meerest loss,

And twice to day pick'd out the dullest scent: Trust me, I take him for the better d g.

Lord. Thou art a fool, if Eccho were as fleet, I would esteem him worth a dozen such. But sup them well, and look unto them all, To-morrow I intend to hunt again.

Hun. I will, my lord.

Lord. What's here? one dead, or drunk? See, doth he breathe?

2 Hun. He breathes, my lord. Were he not warm'd

with ale,

This were a bed but cold to fleep fo foundly.

Lord. O monstrous beast! how like a swine he lies!

Grim death, how foul and loathsome is thine image!

Sirs, I will practise on this drunken man.

What think you if he were convey'd to bed,

Wrapt in sweet cloaths? rings put upon his singers.

A most delicious banquet by his bed,

And brave attendants near him when he wakes,

Would not the beggar than forget himself?

1 Hun. Believe me, fir, I think he cannot chuse. 2 Hun. It would seem Grange unto him when h wak'd.

Lord. Even as a flatt ring dream, or worthless fant. Then take him up, and manage well the jest: (control of the part of the p

Another bear the ewer; a third a diaper,
And fay, wilt please your lordship cool your hands?
Some one be teady with a costly suit,
And ask him what apparel he will wear;
Another tell him of his hounds and horse,
And that his lady mourns at his disease;
Persuade him that he hath been lunatick,
And when he says he's poor, say that he dreams,
For he is nothing but a mighty lord:
This do, and do it kindly, gentle sirs:
It will be passime passing excellent,
If it be husbanded with modesty.

As he shall think by our true diligence, (part.

He is no less than what we fay he is.

Lord. Take up gently, and to bed with him; And each one to his office when he wakes.

[Sound trumpets.

Sirrah, go see what trumpet 'tis that sounds.
Belike some noble gentleman that means,
Travelling some journey, to repose him here.

Enter servant.

How now? who is it?

Ser. An't please your honour, players That offer service to your lordship.

Lord. Bid them come near :

Enter Players.

Now fellows you are welcome. Play. We thank your honour.

Lord. Do you intend to flay with me to night?

2 Play. So pleafe your lordship to accept our duty.

Lord. With all my heart. This fellow I remem
Since once he play'd a farmer's el dest son; (ber,

Twas where you woo'd the gentle woman so well:

I have forgot your name; but fure that part Was aptly fitted, and naturally perform'd.

Sim. I think 'twas Soto that your honour means.

Lord. 'Tis very true, thou didft it excellent;

Well, you are come to me in happy time,

The rather for I have fome fport in hand,

Wherein your cunning can affift me much.

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There is a lord will hear you play to Night; But I am doubtful of your modesties, Lest over eying of his odd behaviour, (For yet his honour never heard a play) You break into some merry passion, And so offend him: For I tell you, sirs, If you should smile, he grows impatient.

Play. Fear not, my lord, we can contain ourselves,

Were he the veriest antick in the world.

Lerd. Go, firrah, take them to the buttery,
Let them want nothing that the house affords.

[Exit one with the Players.

Sirrah, go you to Bartholomew my page, And fee him dreft in all fuits like a lady: That done, conduct him to the drunkard's chamber, And call him madam, do him obeisance. Tell him from me, as he will win my love, He bear himfelf with honourable action, Such as he hath observ'd in noble ladies Unto their Lords, by them accomplished; Such duty to the drunkard let him do, With foft low tongue, and lowly courtefy; And fay; what is't your honour will command, Wherein your lady, and your humble wife, May thew her duty, and make known her love? And then with kind embracements, tempting killes, And with declining head into his bosom, Bid him shed tears, as being overjoy'd To see her noble ford restor'd to health, Who for these seven Years hath esteem'd himself No better than a poor and loathfome beggar; And if the boy have not a woman's gift To rain a shower of commanded tears, An onion will do well for fuch a shift, Which in a napkin being close convey'd, Shall in despight enforce a watry eye. See this dispatch'd with all the haste thou canst, Anon I'll give thee more instructions. Exit Serv. I know the boy will usurp the grace, Voice, gait, and action of a gentlewoman. I long to hear him call the drunkard, husband, And And how my men will stay themselves from laugh-When they do homage to this single peasant; (ter, I'll in to counsel them: haply my presence May well abate the over-merry spleen, Which otherwise would grow into extreams. Enter Siy with attendants, some with apparel, bason and ewer, and other appurtenances.

sly. For God's fake a Pot of small ale.

1 Serv. Will't please your lordship drink a cup of sack?

2 Serv. Will't please your honour taste of these conserves?

3 Serv. What raiment will your honour wear to

day?

Sly. I am Christophero Sly, call not me honour, nor lordship: I ne'er drank sack in my life? and if you give me any conserves, give me conserves of beef: ne'er ask me what raiment I'll wear, for I have no more doublets than backs, no more stockings than legs, nor no more shoes than feet; nay, sometimes more feet than shoes, or such shoes as my toes look through the over-leather.

Lord. Heav'n cease this idle humour in your ho-Oh that a mighty man of such descent, (nour,

Of fuch possettions, and so high esteem, should be infused with so foul a spirit.

Sly. What, would you make me mad? am not I Christophero Sly, old Sly's fon of Burton-Heath, by birth a pedlar, by education a card-maker, by transmutation a bear-herd, and now by present profession a tinker? ask Marrian Hacket, the fat ale-wife of Wincot, if she know me not; if she say I am not fourteenpence on the score for sheer ale, score me up for the lying'st knave in christendom. What I am not beaftraught: here's------

1 Man. Oh! this it is that makes your lady mourn.
2 Man. Oh this it is that makes your fervants droop.
2 ord. Hence comes it that your kindred thun your As beaten hence by your strange lunacy. (house, Oh, noble lord, bethink thee of thy birth, Call home thy ancient thoughts from banishment,

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And banish hence these abject lowly dreams:
Look how thy servants do attend on thee,
Each in his office ready at thy beck.
Wilt thou have musick? hark, Apollo plays, [Musick.
And twenty caged nightingales do sing.
Or wilt thou sleep? we'll have thee to a couch,
Softer and sweeter than the lustful bed
On purpose trimm'd up for Semiramis.
Say thou wilt walk, we will bestrow the ground:
Or wilt thou ride? thy horses shall be trapp'd,
Their harness studded all with gold and pearl.
Dost thou love hawking? thou hast hawks will soar
Above the morning lark. Or wilt thou hunt,
Thy hounds shall make the Welkin answer them,
And fetch shrill ecchoes from the hollow the earth.

I Man. Say thou wilt course, thy greyhounds are as As breathed stags; ay, fleeter than the roe. (swift

2 Man. Dost thou love pictures? we will fetch Adonis, painted by a running brook, (thee straight And Citherea all in sedges hid,

Which feem to move, and wanton with her breath, Even as the waving fedges play with wind.

Lord. We'll shew thee Io, as she was a maid, And how she was beguiled and surprised, As lively painted as the deed was done.

3 Man. Or Dapone roaming thro' a thorny word, Scratching her legs, that one shall swear she bleeds; And at the fight shall sad Apollo weep:

So workmanly the blood and tears are drawn.

Lord. Thou art a lord, and nothing but a lord:

Thou had a lady far more beautiful

Thou hast a lady far more beautiful, Than any woman in this waining age.

I M.n. And 'till the tears that she hath shed for Like envious floods, o'er-run her lovely face, (thee, She was the fairest creature in the world,

And yet she is inferior to none.

Sly. Am I a lord, and have I fuch a lady?
Or do I dream? or have I dream'd 'rill now?
I do not fleep; I fee, I hear, I fpeak;
I fmell fweet favours, and I feel foft things:
Upon my life I am a lord indeed,

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And not a tinker, nor Christophero Sly.
Well, bring our lady hither to our fight,
And once again a pot o'th' smallest ale.

2 Man. Will't please your mightiness to wash your 0h how we joy to see your wits restor'd, (hands; 0h that once more you knew but what you are? These sisteen years you have been in a dream, or when you wak'd, you wak'd as if you stept.

Sly. These sisteen years! by my fay, a goodly But did I never speak of all that time? (naps, 1 Man. Oh yes, my lord, but very idle words. For tho' you lay here in this goodly chamber, Yet would you say, ye were beaten out of door. And rail'd upon the hostess of the house, And say you would present her at the leet, Because she bought stone jugs, and no seal'd quarts: Sometime you would call out for Cicely Hacket.

Sly. Ay, the woman's maid of the house, it is in the house, is in the house, nor no fuch the house no fuch men as you have reckon'd up, (maid, As Stephen Sly, and old John Naps of Greece, And Peter Turph, and Henry Pimpernell,

And twenty more fuch names and men as these, Which never were, nor no man ever saw.

sly. Now lord be thanked for my good amends.

Enter lady with attendants.

sly, I thank thee, thou shalt not lose by it.

Lady. How fares my noble lord?

Sly. Marry, I fare well, for here is cheer enough. Where is my wife?

Lady. Here, noble lord, what is thy will with her? Sly. Are you my wife, and will not call me huf-

band?

My men should call me lord, I am your good man.

Lady. My husband and my lord, my lord and huslam your wife in all obedience. (band,

Sly. I know it well, what must I call her?

Lord. Madam.

Sly. Alce madam, or Joan madam!

Lord. Madam, and nothing elfe, fo lords call Ja-

Sly. Madam wife, they fay that I have dream And slept above some fifteen years and more.

Lady. Ay, and the time seems thirty unto me, Being all this time abandon'd from your bed.

Sly. 'Tis much. Servants leave me, and her alone Madam, undress you, and come now to bed.

Lady. Thrice, noble lord, let me entreat of you To pardon me yet for a night or two: Or if not fo, until the fun be fet; For your physicians have expressly charg'd, In peril to incur your former malady, That I should yet absent me from your bed; I hope this reason stands for my excuse.

Sly. Ay, it stands so, that I may hardly tarry so long But I would be loath to fall into my dream again I will therefore tarry in despight of the flesh an

the blood.

Enter a messenger:

Mess. Your honour's players, hearing your amend Are come to play a pleasant comedy; (ment For so your doctors hold it very meet, Seeing so much sadness hath congeal'd your blood And melancholly is the nurse of phrenzy, Therefore they thought it good you hear a play, And frame your mind to mirth and merriment, Which bars a thousand harms, and lengthens life.

Sly. Marry, I will, let them play, is it not a comonty, a Christmas gambol, or a tumbling trick?

Lady. No, my good lord, it is more pleasing stuff Sly. What, houshold-stuff?

Lady. It is a kind of history.

Sly. Well, we'll fee't:

Come, madam wife, sit by my side,

And let the world flip, we shall ne'er be youngen Flourish. Enter Lucentio and Tranio.

Luc. Tranio, fince for the great defire I had To fee fair Padua, nursery of arts, I am arriv'd for fruitful Lombardy, The pleasant garden of great Italy. And by my father's love and leave am arm'd With his good will, and thy good company.

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Most trusty fervant well approv'd in all. Here let us breath, and haply institute A course of learning, and ingenious studies. pila, renowned for grave citizens, Cave me my being, and my father first Amerchant of great traffick thro' the world : fincentio's come of the Bentivolii. Incentio's fon, brought up in Florence, I hall become to ferve all hopes conceiv'd To deck his fortune with his virtuous deeds: And therefore, Tranio, for the time I study, Virtue and that part of philosophy Will I apply to, that treats of happiness, By virtue specially to be atchiev'd. Tell me thy mind, for I have Pifa left, And am to Padua come, as he that leaves A shallow plash to plung him in the deep, And with fatiety feeks to quench his thirst. Tra. Me Pardonato, gentle master mine, lam in all affected as yourfelf; Glad, that you thus continue your refolve, To fuck the fweets of fweet philosophy: Only, good master, while we do admire This virtue, and this moral discipline, Let's be no stoicks, nor no stocks, I pray; Or fo devote to Aristotle's checks, As Ovid be an outcast quite abjur'd. Talk logick with acquaintance that you have, And practice rhetorick in your common talk; Musick and poefy use to quicken you, The mathematicks, and the metaphyficks, fall to them as you find your stomach serves you: No profit grows, where is no pleasure ta'en: In brief, fir, study what you most affect. Luc. Gramercies, Tranio, well dost thou advise; If, Biondello, thou wert come ashore, We could at once put us in readiness,

And take a lodging fit to entertain

Such friends, as time in Padua shall beget: But stay a while, what company is this?

Tra.

Tra. Mafter, some shew to welcome us to town, Enter Baptifta wieh Katharina and Bianca, Gremie and Hortenfio, Lucentio and Tranio stand by.

Bap. Gentlemen, importune me not farther. For how I firmly am refolv'd you known : That is, not to bestow my youngest daughter, Before I have a husband for the elder : If either of you both love Katharina,

Because I know you well, and love you well, Leave shall you have to court her at your pleasure Gre. To cart her rather. She's too rough for me

There, there, Hortensio, will you any wife? Kath. I pray you, fir, is it your will

To make a stale of me amongst those mates? Her. Mates, maid, how mean you that?

No mates, for you;

Unless you were of gentler milder mould.

Kath. Pfaith, fir, you shall never need to fear, I wis it is not half way to her heart: But if it were, doubt not, her care shall be To comb your noddle with a three-legg'd flool, And paint your face, and use you like a fool.

Her. From all fuch devils, good lord deliver us,

Gre. And me too, good lord.

Tra. Hush, master, here's some good pastim toward,

That wench is flark mad, or wonderful froward. Luc. But in the other's filence I do fee,

Maid's mild behaviour and fobriety.

Peace, Tranio

Tra. Well faid, master, mum, and gaze your fill Bap. Gentlemen, that I may foon make good What I nave faid, Bianca get you in And let it not displease thee, good Bianca;

For I will love thee ne'er the less my girl.

Kath. A pretty Peat, it is best put finger in the eye And the knew why.

Bien. Sifter, content you in my discontent. Sir, to your pleasure humbly I subscribe: My books and instruments shall be my company, On them to look, and practife by my felf.

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Luc. Heark, Tranio. thou maist hear Minerva speak.

Sorry am I that our good will effects

Bianca's grief,

Gre. Why will you mew her up, Signior Baptifta, for this fiend of hell,

And make her bear the penance of her tongue?

Bap. Gentlemen, content ye, I am refolv'd:

Go in, Bianca.

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And for I know she taketh most delight In musick, instruments, and poetry, School-masters will I keep within my house, Fit to instruct her youth. If you, Hortensia, Or signior Gremio, you know any such, Prefer them hither, for to cunning men I will be very kind and liberal,
To mine own children: in good bringing up, And so farewel. Katharina, you may stay,
For I have more to commune with Bianca, [E.

What shall I be appointed hours, as tho,

Belike, I knew what to take,

And what to leave? ha!

Gre. You may go to the devil's dam: your gifts are so good, here is none will hold you. Our love is not so great, Hortensio, but we may blow our nails together and fast it fairly out. Our cake's dough on both sides. Farewel; for the love I bear my sweet Bianca, if I can by any means light on a sit man to teach her that wherein she delights, I will wish him to her father.

Hor. So will I, signior Gremio: but a word, I pray; tho' the nature of our quarrel yet never brook'd parle, know now upon advice, it toucheth us both, that we may yet again have access to our fair mistress, and be happy rivals in Bianca's love, to labour and

effect one thing 'specially.

Gre. What's that, I pray?

Hor. Marry fir, to get a husband for her fifter.

Gre. A husband! a devil.

Hor. I fay a husband.

to be married to hell?

Hor. Tush, Gremio ; tho' it pass your patience and mine to endure her lewd alarms, why, man, there be good fellows in the world, and a man could light on them, would take her with all her faults, and money enough.

Gre. I cannot tell; but I had as lief take her dow. ry with this condition, to be whip'd at the high-

crofs every morning.

Hor. 'Faith, as you fay, there's small choice in rotten apples: come, fince this bar in law makes us friends, it shall be so forth friendly maintain'd. 'till by helping Baptista's eldest daughter to a husband, we fet his youngest free for a husband, and then have to't afresh. Sweet Bianca! happy man be his dole; he that runs fastest gets the ring; how fay you, fignior Gremio?

Gre. I am agreed, and would I had given him the best horse in Padua to begin the wooing that would throughly woo her, wed her, and bed her.

and rid the house of her. Come on.

[Exeunt Gre. and Hor. Manet Tra. and Lucen. Tra. I pray, fir, tell me, is it possible

That love should on a sudden take such hold? Luc. Oh Tranio, 'till I found it to be true,

I never thought it possible or likely. But see, while idly I stood looking on, I found the effect of love in idleness, And now in plainness to confess to thee, That art to me as fecret and as dear As Anna to the queen of Carthage was. Tranio, I burn, I pine, I perish, Tranio, If I atchieve not this young modest girl: Counsel me, Tranio, for I know thou canst; Affist me, Tranio, for I know thou wilt.

Tra. Master, it is no time to chide you now; Affection is not rated from the heart.

If love hath touch'd you, nought remains but fo,

Redime te captum quam queas minimo

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Luc. Gramercy, lad, go forward, this contents, The rest will comfort, for thy counsel's sound. Tra. Master, you look'd so longly on the maid, Perhaps you mark'd not what's the pith of all.

Luc. O yes, I faw fweet beauty in her face,

Such as the daughter of Agenor had,

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That made great Jove to humble him to her hand, When with his knees he kiss'd the Cretan strand.

Tra. Saw you no more? mark'd you not how her Began to scold, and raise up such a storm, Issee That mortal ears might hardly endure the din?

Luc. Tranio, I saw her coral lips to move, And with her breath she did perfume the air;

Sacred and sweet was all I saw in her.

Tra. Nay, than 'tis time to stir him from his trance: I pray awake, sir; if you love the maid, Bend thoughts and wit to atchieve her. Thus it Her eldest sister is so curst and shrewd, (stands: That 'till the father rids his hands of her, Master, your love must live a maid at home, And therefore has she closely mew'st her up, Because she shall not be annoy'd with suitors.

But art thou not advis'd, he took fome care
To get her cunning school-masters to instruct her?

Tra. Ay marry, am I, fir, and now 'tis plotted.

Luc. I have it, Tranio.

Tra. Master, for my hand.

Both our inventions meet and jump in one.

Luc. Tell me thine first.

Tra. You will be school-master,

And undertake the teaching of the maid: That's your device.

Luc. It is: may it be done?

Tra. Not possible: for who shall bear your part, And be in Padua here Vincentio's son, Keep house, and ply his book, welcome his friends, Visit his countrymen, and banquet them?

Luc. Bassa, content thee, for I have it full. We have not yet been seen in any house. Nor can we be distinguish'd by our faces,

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For man or master: then it follows thus.
Thou shalt be master, Tranio, in my stead;
Keep house, and port, and servants, as I should.
I will some other be, some Florentine,
Some Neapolitan, or meaner man of Pisa.
'Tis hatch'd, and shall be so: Tranio, at once
Uncase thee: take my colour'd hat and cloak,
When Biondello comes, he waits on thee,
But I will charm him first to keep his Tongue.

Tra. So had you need.

In brief, sir, sith it your pleasure is,
And I am tied to be obedient,
For so your father charg'd me at our parting;
Be serviceable to my son, quoth he,
Altho', I think, 'twas in another sense,
I am content to be Lucentio,
Because so well I love Lucentio.

And let me be a flave t'atchieve that maid,
Whose sudden sight hath thrall'd my wounded eye.

Enter Biondello.

Here comes the rogue. Sirrah, where have you been?

Bion. Where have I been? nay, how now, where are
you? master, has my fellow Tranie stoll'n your cloaths,
or you stoll'n his, or both? pray what's the news?

Luc. Sirrah, come hither, 'tis no time to jest, And therefore frame your manners to the time. Your fellow Tranio here, to save my life, Puts my apparel and my count'nance on, And I for my escape have put on his: For in a quarrel, since I came ashore, I kill'd a man, and fear I am descry'd: Wait you on him, I charge you, as becomes; While I make way from hence to save my Life. You understand me?

Bion. Ay, fir, ne'er a whit.

Luc. And not a jot of Tranio in your mouth, Tranio is chain'd into Lucentio.

Bion. The better for him, would I were so too.

Tra. So would I, faith boy, to have the next wish after, that Lucentie indeed had Baptista's youngest ther.

But

thirah, not for my fake, but your master's, I wife you use your manners discreetly in all kind Companies: when I am alone, why then I am wio; but in all places else, your master Lucentio.

Ju. Tranio, let's go:

me thing more rests, that thy self execute, make one 'mong these wooers; if thou ask me why, affecth my reasons are both good and weighty. [Exe.

The Presenters above speak.

1 Man. My lord, you nod, you do not mind the play.

1 No. Yes, by saint Anne, do I; a good matter surely.

1 me's there any more of it;

1 Lady. My lord, 'tis but begun,

sly. 'Tis a very excellent piece of work, madam ly, would 'twere done. [They fit and mark.

ACTII. SCENEI.

Enter Petruchio, and Grumio.

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PETRUCHIO. TErona, for a while I take my leave, To see my friends in Padua; but of all My best beloved and approved friend, intensio; and I trow this is the house. Here firrah, Grumie, knock I fay, Gru. Knock, fir? whom should I knock? is there ny man has rebus'd your worship? Pet. Villain, I fay, knock me here foundly. Gru. Knock you here, fir? why, fir, what am I, fir, That I should knock you here sir? Pet. Villain, I fay, knock me at this gate, and rap me well, or I'll knock your knave's pate. Gru. My master is grown quarrelfome: hould knock you first, and then I know after, who comes by the worst. Pet. Will it not be? faith, firrah, and you'll not knock, I'll ring it, I'll try how you can Sol, Fa, and fing it.

Gru. Help, mistress, help, my master is mad.

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Pet. Now knock when I bid you: firrah, villa Enter Hortenfio.

Hor. How now, what's the matter? my old frie Grumio, and my good friend Petruchio! how do y all at Verona.

Pet. Signior Hortensio, come you to part the fra

Hor. Alla nostra casa ben venuto multo honorato signi Petruchio.

Rise, Grumio, we will compound this quarrel.

Gru. Nay, 'tis no matter, what he leges in Lat If this be not a lawful cause for me to leave his so vice, look you, sir: he bid me knock him, and rhim soundly, sir. Well, was it sit for a servant to his Master so, being perhaps, for ought I see, to and thirty, a Pip out?

Whom would to God I had well knock'd at first, Then had not Grumio come by the worst.

Pet. A senseless villain. Good Hertensio, I bid the rascal knock upon your gate, And could not get him for my heart to do it.

Gru. Knock at the gate? O heav'ns! spake you not these words plain? firrah, knock me here, me here, knock me well, and knock me sound and come you now with knocking at the gate.

Pet. Sirrah, be gone, or talk not, I advise you. Hor. Petruchio, patience, I am Grumio's pledge: Why this is a heavy chance 'twixt him and you, Your ancient trusty pleasant servant Grumio; And tell me now, sweet friend, what happy gale Blows you to Padua here, from old Verona?

Pet. Such wind as scatters young men throughts. To seek their fortunes farther than at home, (work Where small experience grows but in a few. Signior Hortensso, thus it stands with me, Antonio my father is deceased, And I must thrust my self into this maze,

Haply to wive and thrive, at best I may:

frowns in my purse I have, and goods at home, and so am come abroad to see the world.

Her. Petruchio, shall I then come roundly to thee, and wish thee to a shrewed ill-favour'd wise?

Thou'dst thank me but a little for my counsel, and yet I'll promise thee she shall be rich, and very rich: but thou'rt too much my friend, and I'll not wish thee to her.

Pet. Signior Hortensie, 'twixt such friends as us two words suffice; and therefore, if you know one rich enough to be Petruchie's wife; wealth is burthen of my wooing dance; when as foul as was Florentius love, as old as Sybil, and as curst and shrewd is Socrates' Zautippe, or a worse,

demoves me not, or not removes, at least, affections edge in time. Where she as rough as are the swelling Adriatick seas,

some to wive it wealthily in Padua:
Swealthily, then happily in Padua.

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Gru. Nay, look you, fir, he tells you flatly what is mind is: why give him gold enough, and marry im to a puppet, or an aglet baby, or an old trot with ne'er a tooth in her head, tho' she have as many diseases as two and fifty horses; why nothing

omes amifs, fomany comes withal.

Hor. Petruchio, fince we are stept thus far in, I will continue that I broach'd in jest, I can, Petruchio, help thee to a wife With wealth enough, and young and beauteous, Brought up as best becomes a gentlewoman. Her only fault, and that is fault enough, Is, that she is intolerable curs'd, And shrewd, and froward, so beyond all measure, That were my state far worser than it is,

lwould not wed her for a mine of gold.

Pet. Hortensio, peace; thou know'st not gold's effect;

Tell me her father's name, and 'tis enough:

For I will board her, tho' she chide as loud

Asthunder, when the clouds in autumn crack.

Hor. Her father is Baptifta Minola, An affable and courteous Gentleman. Her name is Katherina Minola. Renowned in Padua for her scolding tongue.

Pet. I know her father, tho' I know not her, And he knew my deaceafed father well : I will not fleep, Hortenfio, 'till I fee her, And therefore let me be thus bold with you. To give you over at this first encounter,

Unless you will accompany me thither.

Gru. I pray you, fir, let him go while the humon lasts. O'my word and she knew him as well as Id fhe would think fcolding would do little good upo him. She may perhaps call him half a fcore knave or fo: why that's nothing; and he begin once, he rail in his rope tricks. I'll tell you what, fir, and it fland him but a little, he will throw a figure in he face, and so disfigure her with it, that she shall have no more eyes to fee 'withal than a cat: you kno him not, fir.

Hor. Tarry, Petruchio, I must go with thee, For in Baptifta's house my treasure is : He hath the jewel of my life in hold, His youngest daughter, beautiful Bianca, And her with-holds he from me. Other more Suitors to her, and rivals in my love : Supposing it a thing impossible, For those defects I have before rehears'd. That ever Katharina will be woo'd; Therefore this order hath Baptista ta'en, That none shall have access unto Bianca, 'Till Katharina the curs'd have got a husband.

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Her. Peace, Grumio, it is the rival of my love.

merchio, stand by a while.

Gru. A proper stripling, and an amorous.
Gre. O very well, I have perus'd the note.
Hark you, sir, I'll have them very fairly bound,
All books of love, see that at any hand;
And see you read no other lectures to her:
You understand me, over and beside
Signior Baptista's liberality,

And let me have them very well perfum'd,
for she is sweeter than perfume it self
To whom they go: what will you read to her?

Luc. Whate'er I read to her, I'll plead for you,
As for my patron, stand you so assured:

As firmly as your felf were still in place, Yea, and perhaps with more successful words. Than you, unless you were a scholar, fir. Gre. Oh this learning, what a thing it is! Gru. Oh this woodcock, what an ass it is!

Pet. Peace, firrah.

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Gru. And that his bags shall prove.

Hor. Gremie, 'tis now no time to vent our love.

Listen to me, and if you speak me fair,
I'll tell you news indifferent good for either.

Here is a gentleman whom by chance I met,
Upon agreement from us to his liking,
Will undertake to woo curs'd Katherine,
Yea, and to marry her, if her Dowry please.

Gree So said so done is well:

Gre. So faid, fo done, is well;

Hortensio, have you told him all her faults?

Pet. I know she is an irksome brawling scold:

If that be all, masters, I hear no harm.

Gre. No, sayest me so, friend? what countryman?

Pet. Born in Verona, old Antonio's fon ;

My father's dead, my fortune lives for me, And I do hope good days, and long to fee.

Gre. Oh fir, such a life with such a wife were strange; But if you have a stomach, to't a God's name, You shall have me affishing you in all. But will you woo this wild cat?

Pet. Will I live ?

Gru. Will he woo her? ay, or I'll hang her. Pet. Why came I hither, but to that intent?

Think you a little din can daunt my ears?
Have I not in my time heard lions roar?
Have I not heard the sea, puff'd up with winds,
Rage like an angry boar, chased with sweat?
Have I not heard great ordnance in the field?
And heav'ns artillery thunder in the skies?
Have I not in a pitched Battle heard
Loud Larums, neighing steeds, and trumpets clangue?
And do you tell me of a woman's tongue,
That give not half so great a blow to hear,
As will a chesnut in a farmer's fire?
Tush, tush, fear boys with bugs.

Gru. For he fears none.

Gre. Hortensio, hark :

This Gentleman is happily arrived, My mind prefumes, for his own good, and yours. Gra

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I promis'd we would be contributors,

abear his charge of wooing whatfoe're.

Gr. And so we will, provided that he win her.

Enter Tranio brave, and Biondello.

Gentlemen, God save you. If I may be bold, all me, I beseech you, which is the readiest way the house of signior Baptista Minols?

Bion. He that has the two fair daughters? is't he

mean?

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Frs. Even he, Biondello.

Gre. Hark you, fir, you mean not her to---

Its. Perhaps him and her, what have you to do? Per. Nor her that chides, fir, at any hand, I pray.

Ira. I love no chiders, fir: Biondello, let's away.

Luc. Well begun, Tranio.

Her. Sir, a word ere you go:

re you a suitor to the maid you talk of, yea or The. And if I be, sir, is it any offence? (no; Gre. No; if without more words you will get you ence.

In. Why, fir, I pray, are not the streets as free or me as for you?

Gre. But so is not she.

Gre. For what reason, I beseech you?
Gre. For this reason, if you'll know,

hat the's the choice love of figurior Gremio.

Her. That the's the chosen love of figurior Hortensio.

Tra. Softly, my masters: if you be gentlemen, home this right; hear me with patience.

mifa is a noble gentleman,

To whom my father is not all unknown, and were his daughter fairer than she is, the may more suitors have, and me for one. Fix Læda's daughter had a thousand wooers, then well may one more fair, Bianca have, and so she shall. Lucentio shall make one, tho' Paris came, in hope to speed alone.

Gre. What, this gentleman will out-talk us all.
Luc. Sir, give him head, I know he'll prove a

Pet.

jade.

Pet. Hortensio, to what end are all these words?

Her. Sir, let me be so bold as to ask you,

Did you yet ever see Baptiste's daughter?

The one as famous for a scolding tongue,
As is the other for beauteous modesty.

Pet. Sir, fir, the first's for me, let her go by.

Gre. Yea, leave that labour, to great Hercules.

And let it be more than Alcides twelve.

Pet. Sir, understand you this of me, insooth, The youngest daughter, whom you hearken for, Her father keeps from all access of suitors, And will not promise her to any man, Until the eldest sister first be wed:

The younger than is free, and not before.

Tra. If it be so, sir, that you are the man Must steed us all, and me amongst the rest: And if you break the Ice, and do this feat, Atchieve the Elder, set the younger free, For our access, whose hap shall be to have her, Will not so graceless be, to be ingrate.

Hor. Sir, you say well, and well you do conceive: And since you do profess to be a suitor, You must, as we do, gratify this gentleman, To whom we all rest generally beholden.

Tra. Sir, I shall not be slack, in tign whereof, Please ye, we may contrive this afternoon, And quast carouses to our mistress' health, And do as adversaries do in law, Strive mightily, but eat and drink as friends.

Gru. Bion. O excellent motion: fellows, let's be gone. Hor. The motion's good indeed, and be it so, Petruchio, I shall be your Ben venuto. [Exeum.

Enter Katharina and Bianca.

Bian. Good fifter, wrong me not, nor wrong your To make a bondmaid and flave of me; [felf, That I difdain: but for these other goods, Unbind my hands, I'll pull them off my felf, Yea, all my raiment, to my Petricoat, Or what you will command me will I do;

well I know my Duty to my Elders. Kath. Of all thy Sutors here I charge thee tell whom thou lov'ft best: See thou dissemble not. Bian. Believe me Sister, of all the Men alive never yet beheld that special Face, Which I could fancy more than any other. Kath. Minion, thou lieft; is it not H. rtenfio? Bian. If you affect him, Sifter, here I swear Il plead for you my telf, but you shall have him. Kath. Oh then belike you fancy Riches more, lou will have Gremio to keep you fair. Bian. Is it for him you do envy me fo? Nay then you jest, and now I well perceive You have but jested with me all this while; prithee, Sister Ka'e, untie my Hands. Kath. If that be feit, then all the rest was fo.

Strikes ber.

Enter Paptista.

Bap. Why how now Dame, whence grows this InfoBian a, stand aside; poor Girl, she weeps; [lence?

Go ply thy Needle, meddle not with her.

For shame, thou Hilding of a devilish Spirit,

Why dost thou wrong her, that did ne'er wrong thee?

When did she cross thee with a bitter word?

Kath. Her Silence flouts me, and I'll be reveng'd.

[Flies after Bianca.

Bap. What, in my fight? Bianca, get thee in. [Ex. Bian.

Kath. What, will you not suffer me? nay, now I see the is your Treasure, she must have a Husband, lmust dance bare-foot on her Wedding-day, and for your Love to her lead Apes in Hell:

Talk not to me, I will go fit and weep,

Till I can find occasion of Revenge.

Bap. Was ever Gentleman thus griev'd as I?

but who comes here?

Enter Gremio, Lucentio in the Habit of a mean Mar, Petruchio with Hortentio like a Musician, Transo and 3i-ondello bearing a Lute and Books.

Gre. Good morrow, Neighbour Paptista.

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Bap. Good morrow, Neighbour Gremio: God fave you Gentlemen.

Pet. And you, good Sir; Pray have you not a Daugh-

ter call'd Katherina, fair and virtuous?

Bap. I have a Daughter, Sir, call'd Katharina.

Gre. You are too blunt, go to it orderly.

Pet. You wrong me, Signior Gremie, give me leave.

I am a Gentleman of Verona, Sir, That hearing of her Beauty and her Wit,

Her Affability and bashful Modesty, Her wondrous Qualities, and mild Behaviour,

Am bold to shew my self a forward Guest

Within your House, to make mine Eye the Witness

Of that Report, which I so oft have heard.

And for an entrance to my Entertainment, [Presenting Hor I do present you with a Man of mine,

Cunning in Musick, and the Mathematicks,

To instruct her fully in those Sciences, Whereof I know the is not ignorant:

Accept of him, or elfe you do me wrong,

His Name is Licio, born in Mantua. Bap. Y'are welcome, Sir, and he for your good fake, But for my Daughter Katharine, this I know,

She is not for your turn, the more's my Grief. Pet. I see you do not mean to part with her,

Or elfe you like not of my Company.

Bap. Mistake me not, I speak but what I find. Whence are you, Sir? What may I call your Name?

Pet. Petruchio is my Name, Antonio's Son,

A Man well known throughout all Italy.

Bap. I know him well: You are welcome for his fake. Gre. Saving your Tale, Petruchio, I pray let us that are poor Petitioners speak too. Baccare, you are man

vellous forward.

Pet. Oh, pardon me, Signior Gremio, I would fainb

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Cre. I doubt it not, Sir, but you will curse Your wooing. Neighbours this is a Gift Very grateful, I am fure of it : To express The like kindness of my felf, that have been

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27 More kindly beholding to you than any: Free leave give unto this young Scholar, that hath Been long thudying at Rhemes, as cunning [Prefenting Luc. In Greek, Latin, and other Languages, Asthe other in Musick and Mathematicks; His Name is Cambio; pray accept his Service. Bap. A thousand thanks, Signior Gremin: Welcome, good Cambio. But, gentle Sir, Methinks you walk like a Stranger, To Tranio. May I be fo bold, to know the Cause of your coming? Tra. Pardon me, Sir, the Boldness is mine own, That being a Stranger in this City here, Do make my felf a Suitor to your Daughter, Unto Bianca, Fair and Virtuous: Nor is your firm Resolve unknown to me, In the Preferment of the eldeft Sifter. This Liberty is all that I request, That upon knowledge of my Parentage,

I may have welcome 'mongit the rest that woo, And free Access and Favour as the rest. And toward the Education of your Daughters, there bestow a simple Instrument, And this small packet of Greek and Latin Books.

Hyou accept them, then their Worth is great. Bap. Lucentia is your Name? of whence, I pray?

Tra. Of Pifa, Sir, Son to Vincentio. Bap. A mighty Man of Pifa; by Report

know him well; you are very welcome, Sir. Take you the Lute, and you the Set of Books, You shall go see your Pupils presently.

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Enter a Servant.

sirah, lead these Gentlemen lomy two Daughters, and then tell them both Thele are their Tutors, bid them use them well. We will go walk a little in the Orchard, And then to Dinner. You are passing Welcome, And so I pray you all to think your selves. Pet. Signior Baptifa, my Business asketh haste. and every day I cannot come to woo.

You know my Father well, and in him me, Left solely Heir to all his Lands and Goods, Which I have better'd rather than decreas d; Then tell me, if I get your Daughter's Love, What Dowry shall I have with her to Wife?

Bap. After my Death, the one half of my Lands,

And in possession two ty thousand Crowns.

Pet. And for that Dowry, I'll assure her of
Her Widowhood, be it that she survive me,
In all my Lands and Leases whatsoever;
Let Specialities be therefore drawn between us,
That Covenants may be kept on either hand.

Bap. Ay, when the special thing is well obtain'd,

That is, her Love: for that is all in all.

Fet. Why that is nothing: For I tell you, Father, I am as peremptory as she proud-minded. And where two raging Fires meet together, They do consume the thing that feeds their Fury. The little Fire grows great with little Wind, Yet extream Gusts will blow out Fire and all: So I to her, and so she yields to me, For I am rough, and woo not like a Babe.

Bap. Well may'ft thou woo, and happy be thy speed:

But be thou arm'd for some unhappy words.

Pet. Ay, to the proof, as Mountains are for Winds, That shake not, the they blow perpetually.

Enter Hortensio with his Head broke.

Bap. How now my Friend, why dost thou look so pale?

Her. For fear, I promise you, if I look pale.

Bap. What, will my Daughter prove a good Musician? Hor. I think she'll sooner prove a Soldier;

Iron may hold with her, but never Lutes.

Bap. Why then thou canst not break her to the Lute?

Hor. Why no, for she hath broke the Lute to me;

I did but tell her she mistook her Frets,

And bow'd her Hand to teach her Fingering, When, with a most impatient devilish Spirit, Frets call you them? quoth she, I'll sume with them: And with that word she struck me on the Head,

And through my Instrument my Pate made way,

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And there I stood amazed for a while, As on a Pillory, looking through the Lute; While she did call me Rascal, Fidler, And twangling Jack, with twenty such vile Terms, As she had studied to mituse me so.

Pet. Now, by the World, it is a lufty Wench, love her ten times more than e'er I did;

Oh how I long to have some Chat with her.

Bap. Well, go with me, and be not so discomsited. Proceed in Practice with my younger Daughter, She's apt to learn, and thankful for good turns; Signior Petruchic, will you go with us, Orshall I send my Daughter Kate to you?

Pet. I pray you do. I will attend her here,

[Exit. Bap. Manet Petruchio.

And woo her with some Spirit when she comes. Say that she rail, why then I'll tell her plain she sings as sweetly as a Nightingale:
Say that she frown, I'll say she looks as clear as Morning Roses newly wash'd with Dew; say she be mute, and will not speak a Word, Then I'll commend her Volubility, and say she uttereth piercing Eloquence:
Is she do bid me pack, I'll give her Thanks, astho' she bid me stay by her a Week;
If she deny to wed, I'll crave the Day when I shall ask the Banes, and when be married.
But here she comes, and now Petruchio speak.

Enter Katharina.

Good Morrow Kate, for that's your Name I hear.
Kath. Well have you heard, but something hard of hearing.

They call me Katharine, that do talk of me.

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Pet. You lye in faith, for you are call'd plain Kate, And bonny Kate, and sometimes Kate the Curst:
But Kate, the prettiest Kate in Christendom, Kate of Kate-ba", my Super-dainty Kate,
For Dainties are all Kates; and therefore Kate
Take this of me, Kate of my Consolation,
Hearing thy Mildness prais'd in every Town,

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Thy Virtues spoke of, and thy Beauty sounded, Yet not so deeply as to thee belongs,

My felf am mov'd to woo thee for my Wife.

Remove you hence; I knew you at the first (hither, You were a Moveable.

Pet. Why, what's a Moveable?

Kath. A join'd Stool.

Fet. Thou hast hit it; Come, sit on me.

Kath. Asses are made to bear, and so are you.

Jet. Women are made to bear, and so are you.

Kath. No such Jade, Sir, as you, if me you mean.

For knowing thee to be but young and light

Kath. Too light for fuch a Swain as you to catch;

And yet as heavy as my weight should be.

Pet. Should be! should! buz.

Kath. Well ta'en, and like a Buzzard.

Pet, Oh flow-wing'd Turtle, shall a Buzzard take thee? Kath. Ay, for a Turtle, as he takes a Buzzard.

Pet. Come, come you Walp, l'faith you are too are

Kath. If I be waspish, 'best beware my Sting.

Pet. My Remedy isthen to pluck it out.

Kath. Ay, if the Fool could find it where it lyes.

Pet. Who knows not where a Wasp doth wear his Sting?
In his Tail.

Kath. In his Torque. Pet. Whose Tonque?

Kaib. Yours if you talk of Tails, and so farewel. i et. What, with my Tongue in your Tail?

Nay, come again, good Kate, I am a Gentleman.

Kath. That I'll try.

[She strikes him.

Fet. I swear, I'll cuff you, if you strike again. Kath. So may you lose your Arms.

If you strike me you are no Gentleman, And if no Gentleman, why then no Arms.

Pet. A Herald, Kate? Oh put me in thy Books. Kath. What is your Crest, a Coxcomb?

Pet. A combles Cock, so Kate will be my Hen.
Kath. No Cock of mine, you crow too like a Craven:
Pet. Nay, come Kate; come, you must not look so sower.
Kath. It is my Fashion when I see a Crab.

Pet. Why have an Crab and therefore look not sower.

Pet. Why here's no Crab, and therefore look not fower. Kath. There is, there is.

Pet. Then shew it me.

Kath. Had I a Glass I would.

Pet. What, you mean my Face?

Kath. Well aim'd of fuch a young one.

Pet. Now, by St. George I am too young for you.

Kath. Yet you are wither'd. Pet. 'Tis with Cares.

Kath. I care not.

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l'et. Nay, hear you Kate. Infooth you'fcape not fo.

Kath. I chafe you if I tarry; let me go.

Pet. No, not a whit, I find you passing gentle:
'Twas told me you were rough, and coy, and fullen,
And now I find Report a very Liar,

For thou art pleasant, gamesome, passing courteous, But flow in speech, yet sweet as spring-time Flowers. Thou can'st not frown, thou can'st not look ascance,

Nor bite the Lip, as angry Wenches will, Nor half thou Pleasure to be cross in Talk: But thou with mildness entertain'st thy Wooers,

With gentle conference, loft, and affable.

Why doth the World report that Kate doth limp? Oh fland'rous World: Kate, like the Hazle Twig, Is strait, and stender, and as brown in hue As Hazle Nuts, and sweeter than the Kernels. Ohlet me see thee walk: thou dost not halt.

Kath. Go Fool, and whom thou keep'st command.
Pet. Did even Dian so become a Grove.

As Kate this Chamber with her princely Gaite?

O be thou Dian, and let her be Kate,

And then let Kate be chat, and Dian sportful.

Kath. Where did you fludy all this goodly Speech?
Pet. It is extempore from my Mother-wit.
Kath. A witty Mother, witlesselse her Son.

Pet. Am I not wife?

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Kath. Yes; keep you warm. Pet. Marry fo I mean, sweet Katharine, in thy Bed: And therefore fetting all this Chat aside, Thus in plain Terms: Your Father hath confented That you shall be my Wife; your Dowry greed on, And will you, nill you, I will marry you. Now, Kate, I am a Husband for your turn, For by this Light, whereby I fee thy Beauty, Thy Beauty that doth make me like thee well,

Enter Baptista, Gremio, and Tranio. For I am he am born to tame you Kate, And bring you from a wild Cat to a Kate, Conformable as other Houshold Kates; Here comes your Father, never make Denial, I must and will have Katharine to my Wife.

Thou must be married to no Man but me.

Bap. Now, Signior Petrucbio, how speed you with

my Daughter?

Pet. How but well, Sir? How but well? It were impossible I should speed amis.

Bap. Why how now Daughter Katharine, in your Dumps?

Kath. Call you me Daughter? Now I promise you You have shew'd a tender fatherly Regard, To wish me wed to one half Lunatick, A madcap Ruffian, and a swearing Jack,

That thinks with Oaths to face the matter out. Pet. Father, 'tis thus ; your felf and all the World That talk'd of her, have talk'd amis of her;

If she be curst, it is for Policy,

For she's not froward, but modest as the Dove: She is not hot, but temperate as the Morn; For Patience she will prove a second Griffel, And Reman Lucrece for her Chastity. And to conclude, we have greed fo well together,

That upon Sunday is the wedding Day. Kato. I'll fee thee hang'd on Sunday first.

Gre. Hark : Petruchio, the fays she'll fee thee hang'd first Tra. Is this your Speeding? Nay, then good night ou

part.

Pet.

pet. Be patient, Gentlemen, I chuse her for my self, The and I be pleas'd, what's that to you? Tis bargain'd 'twixt us twain being alone, That she shall still be curst in Company. tell you 'tis incredible to believe yow much the loves me; oh the kindest Kate! the hung about my Neck, and kifs and kifs shevy'd fo fast, protesting Oath on Oath, That in a twink the won me to her Love. Oh you are Novices: 'tis a World to fee How tame, when Men and Women are alone, meacock Wretch can make the curfteft Shrew; Give me thy Hand, Kate, I will unto Venice, To buy Apparel 'gainst the Wedding Day; Provide the feast, Father, and bid the Guests. will be fure my Katherine shall be fine. Bap. I know not what to fay, but give me your Hands, God fend you Joy, Petruchio, 'tis a Match.

Gre. Tra. Amen say we, we will be Witnesses. Pet. Father, and Wife, and Gentlemen, adieu, will to Venice, Sunday comes apace, We will have Rings and Things, and fine Array, nd kils me Kate, we will be married a Sunday.

Ex. Petruchio and Katharina. Gre. Was ever Match clapt up fo fuddenly? Bap. Faith, Gentlemen, now I play a Merchant's Part, and venture madly on a desperate Mart. Tra. 'Twas a Confimodity lay fretting by you, Iwill bring you Gain, or perish on the Seas. Bap. The Gain I feek, is quiet in the Match. Gre. No doubt but he hath got a quiet Catch: ut now Baptista, to your younger Daughter, low is the Day we have long looked for: im your Neighbour, and was Suitor first. Tra. And I am one that love Bianca more Than Wordscan witness, or your Thoughts can guefs. Gre. Youngling, thou canst not love so Dear as 1. Tra. Grey-beard, thy Love doth freeze.

Gre. But thine doth fry. hipper, stand back; 'Tis Age that nourisheth.

Tra.

Tra. But Youth in ladies eyes that flourisheth.

Bap. Content you Gentlemen, I will compound this

Strife:

'Tis Deeds must win the Prize, and he of both That can assure my Daughter greatest Dower,

Shall have Bianca's Love.

Say, Signior Gremio, what can you affure her?
Gre. First, as you know, my House within the City

Is richly furnished with Plate and Gold, Basons and Ewers to lave her dainty Hands:

My Hangings all of Tyrian Tapestry; In Ivory Coffers I have stuft my Crowns;

In Cypress Chests my Arras, Counterpanes, Costly Apparel, Tents and Canopies,

Fine Linnen, Turkey Cushions both with Pearl,

Vallens of Venice Gold, in Needle-work; Fewter and Brass, and all things that belong

To House, or House-keeping: Then at my Farm I have a hundred Milch-kine to the Pail,

Sixicore fat Oxen standing in my Stalls; And all things answerable to this Portion.

My self am strook in Years, I must confess, And if I die to Morrow, this is hers,

If whilft I live she will be only mine.

Tra. That only came well in: Sir, list to me;
I am my Father's Heir, and only Son;
If I may have your Daughter to my Wife,
I'll leave her Houses three or four as good,

Within rich Pifa Walls, as any one Old Signior Gremio has in Padua;

Besides two thousand Ducats by the Year Of fruitful Land; all which shall be her Jointure.

W hat have I pinch'd you Signior Gremio?

Gre. Two thousand Ducats by the Year of Land!

My Land amounts not to so much in all:

That the shall have, besides an Argeste
That now is lying in Marfellies Road.

What have I choak'd you with an Argosie?

Tra. Gremio, 'tis well known my Father hath no less Than three great Argifies, besides two great Galliasses,

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and twelve tight Gallies; thefe I will affure her, and twice as much, whate'er thou offer'ft next. Gre. Nay, I have offer'd all; I have no more; And the can have no more than all I have; you like me, she shall have me and mine. Tra. Why then the Maid is mine from all the World By your firm Promise? Gremio is out-vied. Bap. I must confess your offer is the best: And let your Father make her the Affurance, she is your own, else you must pardon me ? f you should die before him, where's her Dower? Tra. That's but a Cavil, he is old, I young. Gre. And may not young Men die as well as old? Bap. Well, Gentlemen, I am thus refolv'd, On Sunday next, you know, My Daughter Katherine is to be married: Now on the Sunday following shall Bianca Be Bride to you, if you make this Affurance; If not, to Signior Gremio: And fo I take my leave, and thank you both. Gre. Adieu good Neighbour. Now I fear thee not: Sirrah, young Gamester, your Father were a Fool Togive thee all; and in his waining Age To let foot under thy Table : tut, a Toy; Anold Italian Fox is not so kind my Boy. Exit. Tra. A Vengeance on your crafty withered Hide; Yet I have fac'd it with a Card of ten: Tis in my Head to do my Master good; Ifee no Reason, but suppos'd Lucentio May get a Father call'd suppos'd Vincentio; And that's a Wonder; Fathers commonly Doget their Children; but in this Case of wooing, Achild shall get a Sire, if I fail not of my Cunning.

Exit.

ACT III. SCENE I.

Enter Lucentio, Hortenfio, and Bianca.

Luc. Pidler, forbear; you grow too forward, Sir:
Have you so soon torgot the Entertainment

Her Sitter Katherine welcom'd you withal?

Hir. But w angling Pedant, this is The Patroness of Heav'nly-Harmony; Then give me leave to have Prerogative; And when in Musick we have spent an Hour, Your Lecture shall have Leisure for as much.

Iuc. Preposterous As, that never read so far, To know the cause why Musick was ordain'd: Was it not to refresh the Mind of Man After his Studies, or his usual Pain? Then give me leave to read Philosophy,

And while I pause, serve in your Harmony. Hor. Sirrah, I will not bear these Braves of thine.

Pian. Why, Gentlemen, you do me double Wrong, To strive for that which resteth in my Choice: I am no breeching Scholar in the Schools; I'll not be ty'd to Hours, nor pointed Times, But learn my Lessons as I please my falf; And to cut off all Strife, here sit we down, Take you your Instrument, play you the whiles, His Lesture will be done ere you have tun'd.

Her. You'll leave his Lecture when I am in Tune?
Luc. That will be never: Tune your Instrument.

Bian. Where left we last?

Luc. Here, Madam: Hic ibat Simois, bic est Sigeia tellus, Hic steterat Priami regia celsa senis.

Bian. Construe them.

Luc. Hic ibat, As I told you before, Simois, I am Lucentio, hic est, Son unto Vincentio of Pisa, Sigeia tellus, disguised thus to get your Love, hic steterat, and that Lucentio that comes a wooing, Priami, is my Man Tranio, regia, bearing my Port, celsa senis, that we might beguile the old Pantaloon.

Hir

Hor. Madam, my Instrument's in tune, Bian. Let's hear. O fie, the Treble jars.

Luc. Spit in the Hole, Man, and tune again.

Pian. Now let me see is I can construe it: Hie ibat Simis, I know you not, bic est Sigeia tellus, I trust you not, bic steterat Priami, take heed he hear us not, regia, presume not, celsa senis, despair not.

Hor. Madam, 'tis now in tune.

Luc. All but the Base.

Hor. The Base is right; 'tis the base Knave that jars.

How fiery and froward our Pedant is!

Now for my Life that Knave doth court my Love;

Pedascule, I'll watch you better yet:

Intime I may believe, yet I mittrust.

Bian. Mistrust it not, for sure Æacides
Was Ajax, call'd so from his Grandfather.

I must believe my Master, else i promise you, I should be arguing still upon that Doubt;

But let it rest. Now Licio to you:

Good Masters, take it not unkindly, pray,

That I have been thus pleasant with you both.

Hor. You may go walk, and give me leave a while;

My Lessons make no Musick in three Parts.

Luc. Are you to formal, Sir? well, I must wait,

And watch withal; for, but I be deceiv'd,

Our fine Mufician groweth amorous.

Hor. Madam, before you touch the Instrument.

To learn the Order of my Fingering, Imust begin with Rudiments of Art, To teach you Gamut in a briefer fort, More pleasant, pithy, and effectual,

Than hath been taught by any of my Trade;

And there it is in Writing fairly drawn.

Bian. Why, I am past my Gamut long ago. Hor. Yet read the Gamut of Hortensio.

Bian. Gamut I am, the Ground of all Accord,

Are, to plead Hortensio's Passion,

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Gaut, that loves thee with all Affection,

D fol re, one Cliff, two Notes have 1,

Elami,

Elami. Show Pity, or I die.

Call you this Gamut? Tut, I like it not;

Old Fashions please me best; I am not so nice

To change true Rules for new Inventions.

Enter a Servant.

Serv. Mistress, your Father prays you leave your Books, And help to dress your Sister's Chamber up; You know to Morrow is the Wedding-day.

Bian. Farewel, sweet Masters both; I must be gone. [Ex. Luc. Faith Mistress, then I have no cause to stay. [Ex.

Hor. But I have cause to pry into this Pedant;
Methinks he looks as tho' he were in love:
Yet if Thoughts. Bianca, be so humble
To cast thy wandring Eyes on every Stale;
Seize thee that list; if once I find thee ranging,
Hortensio will be quit of thee by changing.

[Exit.
Enter Baptista, Gremio, Tranio, Katharina, Lucentio,
Bianca, and Attendants.

Bap. Signior Lucentio, this is the pointed Day That Katherine and Petruchio should be married; And yet we hear not of our Son-in-law.

What will be said? what Mockery will it be, To want the Bridegroom when the Priest attends To speak the ceremonial Rites of Marriage?

What fays Lucentio to this Shame of ours?

Kath. No Shame but mine; I must, forsooth, be forc'd To give my Hand oppos'd against my Heart, Unto a mad-brain Rudesby, full of Spleen. Who woo'd in haste, and means to wed at leisure. I told you I, he was a frantick Fool.

Hiding his bitter Jests in blunt Behaviour:
And to be noted for a merry Man,
He'll woo a thousand, point the Day of Marriage,
Make Friends, invite, yes, and proclaim the Banes,
Yet never means to wed where he hath woo'd.
Now must the World point at poor Katherine,
And say, lo there is mad Petruchio's Wife,

If it would please him come and marry her.

Tra. Patience, good Katherine, and Baptista too;

Upon my Life Petruchio means but well,

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Whatever Fortune stays him from his word, 1ho' he be blunt, I know him passing wife; Tho' he be merry, yet withal he's honest.

Kath. Would Katherine had never feen him tho'.

Exit weeping.

Bap. Go, Girl; I cannot blame thee now to weep; For such an Injury would vex a Saint, Much more a Shrew of thy impatient Humour.

Enter Biondello.

Bion. Master, Master, old News, and such News as you never heard of.

Bap. Is it new and old too? how may that be?

Bion. Why, is it not News to hear of Petruchio's coming?

Bap. Is he come?

Bin. Why no Slr. Bap. What then?

Bion. He is coming.

Bap. When will he be here?

Bion. When he stands where I am, and sees you there.

Tra. But say, what to thine old News?

Bion. Why Petruchio is coming in a new Hat and an old lerkin; a Pair of old Breeches thrice turn'd; a pair of Boots that have been Candle-Cases, one buckled, another lac'd; an old rusty Sword ta'en out of the Town-Armory, with a broken Hilt, and Chapeless, with two broken Points, his Horse hip'd with an old mothy Saddle, the Stirrops of to Kindred; besides possest with the Glanders, and like to mose in the Chine, troubled with the Lampasse, infected with the Fashions, full of Windgalls, sped with Spavins, nied with the Yellows, past Cure of the Fives, stark spoiled with the Staggars, begnawn with the Bots, waid in the Back, and shoulder-shotten, near-leg'd before, and with a half checkt Bit, and a Headstall of Sheep's Leather, which being restrain'd to keep him from stumbling, hath been often burst, and now repair'd with Knots; one Girt fix times piec'd, and a Woman's Crupper of Velure, which hath two Letters for her Name, fairly fet down in Studs, and here and there piec'd with packthread.

Bap. Who comes with him?

Bien. Oh Sir, his Lackey, for all the World caparison'd like the Horse, with a limen Stocking on one Leg, and a kersey Boot-hose on the other, garter'd with a red and blue List, an old Hat, and the Humour of forty Fancies prickt up in it for a Feather: A Monster, a very Monster in Apparel, and not like a Christian Foot-boy, or Gentleman's Lackey.

Tra. 'Tis some odd Humour pricks him to this Fashion;

Yet oftentimes he goes but mean Apparell'd.

Bap. I am glad he's come, howfoever he comes.

Bion. Why Sir, he comes not.

Bap. Didst thou not say he comes? Bion. W ho? that Petruchio came?

Bap. Ay, that Petruchio came.

Bion. No, Sir; I say his Horse comes with him on his Back.

Bap. Why that's all one.

Bion. Nay, by St. Jamy, I hold you a Penny

A Horse and a Man is more than one, and yet not many.

Enter Petruchio and Grumio fantastically babited.

Pet. Come, where be these Gallants, who's at Home?

Bap. You are welcome, Sir. Pet. And yet I come not well.

Bap. And yet you halt not.

Tra. Not so well-Apparell'd as I wish you were.

Pet. Were it better, I should rush in thus.
But where is Kate? where is my lovely Bride?
How does my Father? Gentles, methinks you frown,
And wherefore gaze this goodly Company,

As if they faw some wondrous Monument,

Some Comet, or unufual Prodigy?

Bap. Why, Sir, you know this is your Wedding-day:
First were we sad, fearing you would not come,
Now sadder, that you come so unprovided.
Fie, doff this Habit, shame to your Estate,

An Eye-fore to our solemn Festival.

Tra. And tell us what Occasion of Import Hath all so long detain'd you from your Wife,

And fent you hither fo unlike your felf?

Pet. Tedious it were to tell, and harsh to hear: Sufficeth I am come to keep my Word,

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Tho' in some Part enforced to digres,
which at more Leisure I will so excuse,
Asyou shall well be satisfied withal.
But where is Kate? I stay too long from her;
The Morning wears; 'tis time we were at Church.
Tra. See not your Bride in these unreverent Robes;
Go to my Chamber, put on Cloaths of mine.
Pet. Not I; believe me, thus I'll visit her.

Bap. But thus, I trust, you will not marry her.
Pet. Good sooth, even thus; therefore ha done with

Words;
To me she's married, not unto my Clothes:
Could I repair what she will wear in me,
As I could change these poor Accourrements,
Twere well for Kate, and better for my self.
But what a Fool am I to chat with you,
When I should bid good Morrow to my Bride,

And seal the Title with a lovely Kiss?

Tra. He hath some meaning in his mad attire:

We will persuade him, be it possible, To put on better e're he go to Church.

Bap. I'll after him, and see the Event of this. Tra. But, Sir, Love concerneth us to add Her Father's liking; which to bring to pass,

As before I imparted to your Worship, lam to get a Man, what e'er he be Itskills not much, we'll fit him to our Turn, and he shall be Vincentio of Pisa,

And make Affurance here in Padua, Of greater Sums than I have promised: So thall you quietly enjoy your Hope, And marry sweet Bianca with Consent.

Luc. Were it not that my fellow School-master Both watch Bianca's Steps to narrowly, Twere good methinks to steal our Marriage; which once perform'd let all the World say no, Ill keep mine own, despight of all the World.

Tra. That by Degrees we mean to look into, and watch our Vantage in this Bufiness:
We'll over-reach the Gray-beard Gremio.

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The narrow prying Father Minola, The quaint Musician amorous Licio; All for my Master's sake Lucentio.

Enter Gremio.

Signior Gremio, came you from the Church?

Gre. As willingly as e'er I came from School.

Tra. And is the Bride and Bridegroom coming home Gre. A Bridegroom say you? 'Tis a Groom indeed,

A grumbling Groom, and that the Girl shall find.

Tra. Curster than she? why tis impossible.

Gre. Why he's a Devil, a Devil, a very Fiend. Tra. Why she's a Devil, a Devil, the Devil's Dam.

Gre. Tut, she's a Lamb, a Dove, a Fool to him.
I'll tell you, Sir Lucentie, when the Priest

Should ask if Katherine should be his Wife?

Ay, by Gogs-woons, quoth he; and swore so loud,

That, all amaz'd, the Priest let fall the Book;

And as he stoop'd again to take it up,

This mad-brain'd Bridegroom took him such a Cuff, That down fell Priest and Book, and Book and Priest.

Now take them up, quoth he, if any lift.

Tra. What said the Wench, when he rose up again? Gre. Trembled and shook; for why, he stamp'd and swore,

As if the Vicar meant to cozen him.
But after many Ceremonies done,
He calls for Wine: A Health, quoth he; as if

He had been Aboard carowzing to his Mates
After a Storm; quaft off the Muscadel,
And threw the Sops all in the Sexton's Face;

Having no other Reason, but that his Beard Grew thin and hungerly, and seem'd to ask His Sops as he was drinking. This done, he took The Bride about the Neck, and kist her Lips

With such a clamorous Smack, that at the Parting All the Church did Eccho; and I seeing this, Came thence for very Shame; and after me

I know the Routis coming: Such a mad Marriage Never was before. Hark, hark, I hear the Minstrels play.

Musick plays.

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Enter Petruchio, Katharina, Bianca, Hortensio, and Baptista.

Pet. Gentlemen and Friends, I thank you for your Pains:

Iknow you think to dine with me to Day, And have prepar'd great Store of wedding Cher; Eut so it is, my Haste doth call me hence; And therefore here I mean to take my Leave.

Bap. Is't possible you will away to Night?

Pet. I must away to Day, before Night come:

Make it no Wonder; if you knew my Business,

You would intreat me rather go than stay.

And honest Company, I thank you all,

That have beheld me give away my self

To this most patient, sweet and virtuous Wise:

Dine with my Father, drink a Health to me,

For I must hence, and farewel to you all.

Tra. Let us intreat you stay 'till after Dinner.

Pet. It may not be.

Gre. Let me intreat you.

Pet. It cannot be.

Kath. Let me intreat you.

Pet. I am content.

Kath. Are you content to flay?

Pet. I am content you shall intreat me stay; But yet not stay, intreat me how you can.

Kath. Now, if you love me, stay.

Pet. Grumio, my Horses.

Gru. Ay, Sir, they be ready; the Oatshave eaten the Horses.

Kath. Nay then

No nor to Morrow, nor 'till I please my self:
The Door is open, Sir, there lyes your Way,
You may be jogging whiles your Boots are green,
For me, I'll not be gone 'till I please my self:
'I is like you'll prove a jolly surly Groom,
That take it on you at the first so roundly.

Pet. O Kate, content thee; prethee be not angry. Kath. I will be angry; what hast thou to do?

Father be quiet; he shall stay my Leasure.

Gre. Ay, marry Sir, now it begins to work.

Kath.

Kath. Gentlemen, forward to the Bridal-dinner. I fee a Woman may be made a Fool,

If she had not a Spirit to refist.

Pet. I hey shall go forward, Kate, at thy Command. Obey the Bride, you that attend on her: Go to the Feast, revel and domineer; Carowle full Measure to her Maiden-head; Be mad and merry, or go hang your felves; But for my bonny Kate, she must with me. Nay, look not big, nor stamp, nor stare, not fret, I will be Master of what is mine own; She is my Goods, my Chattles, she is my House, My Houshold Stuff, my Field, my Barn, My Horse, my Ox, my Ass, my any thing; And here she stands, touch her who ever dare; I'll bring my Action on the proudest he, That stops my way in Padua: Grumio, Draw forth thy Weapon; we are befet with Thieves; Rescue thy Mistress if thou he a Man: Fear not, fweet Wench, they shall not touch thee, Kate; I'll buckler thee against a Million.

[Exe. Pet. and Kath

Bap. Nay, let them go, a couple of quiet ones. Gre. Went they not quickly, I should die with Laugh ing.

Tra. Of all mad Matches, never was the like.

Luc. Mistress, what's your Opinon of your Sister? Bian. That being mad her self, she's madly mated. Gre. I warrant him Petruchio is Kated.

Bap. Neighbours and Friends, tho' Eride and Bride groom wants

For to supply the Places at the Table; You know there wants no Junkets at the Feast: Iucentio, you shall supply the Bridegroom's Place. And let Bianca take her Sister's room.

Tra. Shall sweet Bianca practice how to Bride it?
Bap. She shall, Lucentio: Come, Gentlemen, let's go.

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Enter Grumio.

Gru. Fie, fie on all tired Jades, on all mad Master and all foul ways: Was ever Man so beaten? was ever Man

fan fo raide? was ever Man fo weary? I am fent before make a Fire, and they are coming after to warm them: Now were I not a little Pot, and foon hot, my very Lips night freeze to my Teeth, my Tongue to the Roof of my louth, my Heart in my Belly, ere I should come by a freto thaw me; but I with blowing the Fire shall warm ny felf; for confidering the Weather, a taller Man than will take cold: Holla, hoa, Curtis!

Enter Curtis.

Cur. Who is it that calls fo coldly?

Gru. A Piece of Ice. If thou doubt it, thou may's flide om my Shoulder to my Heel, with no greater a run but y head and my Neck. A Fire, good Curtis.

Curt. Is my Master and his Wife coming. Grumio? Grum. Oh ay, Curtis, ay; and therefore Fire, Fire,

aft on no Water.

Curt. Is she so hot a Shrew as she's reported?

Gru. She was, good Curtis, before the Frost; but thou now'st Winter tames Man, Woman and Beast, for it hath m'd my old Master, and my new Mistress, and my self, llow Curtis.

Curt. Away, you three inch'd Fool; I am no Beaft. Gru. Am I but three Inches? why thy Horn is a Foot, do long am I at the least. But wit thou make a Fire, thall I complain on thee to our Mistreis, whose Hand, being now at Hand, thou shalt soon feel to thy cold omfort, being flow in thy hot Office.

Curt. I prethee, good Grumio, tell me, how goes the

Vorld?

Gru. A cold World, Curtis, in every Office but thine; therefore Fire: Do thy Duty, and have thy Duty; my Master and Mistress are almost frozen to Death. Curt. There's Fire ready; and therefore, good Grumio,

e News.

Gru. Why, Jack Boy, ho Boy, and as much News as go. ou wilt.

Curt. Come, you are so full of Conycatching.

Gru. Why therefore Fire; for I have caught extream id. Where's the Cook? Is Supper ready, the House mm'd, Rushes Grew'd, Cobwebs swept, the Serving-

men in their new Fustian, their white Stockings, and every Officer his wedding Garment on? Be the Jacks fair within, the Jills fair without, Carpets laid, and every thing in order?

Curt. All ready: And therefore I pray thee what News. Gru. First, know my Horse is tired, my Master and

Mistress fall'n out.

Curt. How?

Gru. Out of their Saddles into the Dirt; and thereby hangs a Tale.

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Curt. Let's ha't good Grumio.

Gru. Lend thine Ear.

Curt. Here.

Gru. There. [Strikes bim

Curt. This is to feel a Tale, not to hear a Tale.

Gru. And therefore 'tis called a sensible Tale: and this Cust was but to knock at your Ear, and be seech listning. Now I begin: Imprimis, we came down a foul Hill, my Master riding behind my Misters.

Curt. Both on one Horse? Gru. What's that to thee?

Curt. Why a Horse.

Gru. Tell thou the Tale. But hadft thou not croft me, thou should'st have heard how her Horse sell, and she under her Horse; thou should'st have heard in how miery a place, and how she was bemoil'd, how he lest her with the Horse upon her, how he beat me because her Horse stumbled, how she waded through the Dirt to pluck him off me; how he swore, how she pray'd that never pray'd before; how I cry'd, how the Horses ran away, how her Bridle was burst, how I lost my Crupper; with many things of worthy Memory, which now shall see in oblivion, and thou return unexperienc'd to thy Grave.

Curt. By this reckoning he is more Shrew than she.

Gru. Ay, and that thou and the proudest of you all shall find when he comes home. But what talk I of this? Call forth Nathaniel, Joseph, Nicholas, Philip, Water, Sugersop, and the rest: Let their Heads be sleekly combid, their blue Coats brush'd, and their Garters of an indifferent knit; let them curtie with their lest Legs, and not presume

resume to touch a hair of my Master's Horse Tail, 'till her kis their Hands. Are they all ready?

Curt. They are.

Gru. Call them forth.

Curt. Do you hear ho? You must meet my Master, to-

Gru. Why she hath a Face of her own.

Curt. Who knows not that?

Gru. Thou it feems, that call'st for Company to Coun-

Curt. I call them forth to Credit her.

Enter four or five Serving-men.

Gru. Why she comes to borrow nothing of them.

Nat. Welcome home, Grumiv.

Phil. How now, Grumio?

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Nic. Fellow Grumio!

Nath. How now, old Lad.

Gru. Welcome you; how now you; what you; follow ou; and thus much for Greeting. Now, my fpruce Companions, is all ready, and all things neat?

Nat. All things are ready; how near is our Master?
Gru. E'en at hand, alighted by this; and therefore be

-Cocks Paffion, filence, I hear my Mafter.

Enter Petruchio and Kate.

Pet. Where be these Knaves? What, no Man at Door shold my Stirrup, nor to take my House? Where is Vabaniel, Gregory, Philip?

All Ser. Here here, Sir, here, Sir.

Pet. Here Sir, here Sir, here Sir, here Sir? lou loggerheaded and unpolish'd Grooms:

that? so Attendance? no Regard? no Duty? There is the foolish Knave I fent before?

Gru. Here Sir, as foolish as I was before.

Pet. You Peasant Swain, you Whoreson, Malt-horse Drudge,

and not I bid thee meet me in the Park,

and bring along the rascal Knaves with thee?

Gru. Nathaniel's Coat, Sir, was not fully made: ad Gabriel's Pumps were all unpin'd i'th' Heel:

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There was no Link to colour Peter's Hat,
And Walter's Dagger was not come from sheathing:
There were none tine, but Adam, Ralph, and Gregory,
The rest were ragged, old, and beggarly,
Yet as they are, they come to meet you.
Pet. Go, Rascals, go and setch my Supper in.

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Where is the Life that late I led?
Where are those?——Sit down Kate,
And welcome. Soud, foud, foud, foud.

Enter Servants with Supper.

Why then I say? Nay, good sweet Kate be merry.

Off with my Boots, you Rogue: You Villains when?

It was the Friar of Orders grey, Single

It was the Friar of Orders grey, As he forth walked on his way.

Out you Rogue, you pluck my Foot awry.

Take that, and mind the plucking off the other. [Strikeshim
Be merry, Kate: Some Water here; what hoa.

Enter one with Water.

Where's my Spaniel Troilus? Sirrah, get you hence,
And bid my Cousin Ferdinand come hither:
One, Kate, that you must kiss, and be acquainted with.
Where are my Slippers? shall I have some Water?
Come Kate, and wash, and welcome heartily:
You whoreson Villain, will you let it Fall?

Kat. Patience, I pray you, 'twas a fault unwilling.

Pet. A whoreson, beetle-headed, flat-ear'd Knave:

Come, Kate, sit down, I know you have a Stomach.

Will you give Thanks, sweet Kate, or else shall I?

What's this, Mutton?

1 Ser. Yes.

Pet. Who brought it?

Ser. I.

Pet. 'Tis burnt, and so is all the Meat:
What Dogs are these? where is the rascal Cook?
How durit you, Villains, bring it from the Dresser,
And serve it thus to me that love it not?
There, take it to you, Trenchers, Cups and all:

[Throws the Meat, &c. about the Stage

You heedless Jolt-heads, and unmanner'd Slaves. What, do you grumble? I'll be with you straight.

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Kat. I pray you, Husband, be not so disquiet, The Meat was well, if you were so contented.

Pet. I tell thee, Kate, 'twas burnt and dry'd away, and I express y am forbid to touch it:
For it engenders Choler, planteth Anger, and better 'twere that both of us did fast, since of our selves, our selves are Cholerick, Than feed it with such over-roasted Flesh:

Than feed it with such over-roasted Flesh:
Be patient, to morrow't shall be mended,
And for this Night we'll fast for Company.
Come, I will bring thee to thy Bridal Chamber. [Exeunt.

Nath. Peter, didst ever see the like? Peter. He kills her in her own Humour.

Gru. Where is he?

Enter Curtis, a Servant.

curt. In her Chamber, making a Sermon of Continency wher, and rails, and swears, and rates; and she, poor Soul, hows not which way to stand, to look, to speak, and its as one new risen from a Dream. Away, away, for he is coming hither.

Enter Petruchio.

Pet. Thus have I politickly begun my Reign; and 'tis my hope to end fuccessfully: My Faulcon now is sharp, and passing empty, and 'till the stoop, the must not be full gorg'd, for then she never looks upon her Lure. mother way I have to man my Haggard, Io make her come, and know her Keeper's call: That is, to watch her, as we watch these Kites, that bait and beat, and will not be obedient. he eat no Meat to Day, nor none shall eat. all Night she slept not, nor to Night shall not ; swith the Meat, some undeserved Fault I find about the making of the Bed. and here I'll fling the Pillow, there the Bolster, This way the Coverlet, another way the Sheets; ly, and amid this hurly I'll pretend, That all is done in reverend Care of her, and in conclusion, the shall watch all Night,

And if she chance to nod I'll rail and brawl,
And with the Clamour keep her still awake.
This is a way to kill a Wife with Kindness,
And thus I'll curb her mad and headstrong Humour.
He that knows better how to tame a Shrew,
Now let him speak, 'tis Charity to shew.

[Exit.

Enter Tranio and Hortensio.

Tra. Is't possible, Friend Licio, that Mistress Bianca

Doth fancy any other but Lucentio? I tell you, Sir, she bears me fair in hand.

Hor. Sir, to satisfie you in what I have said, Stand by, and mark the manner of his teaching.

Luc. Now, Mistres, profit you in what you read? Bian. What Master read you first, resolve me that? Luc. I read that I profess, the Art of Love.

Bian. And may you prove, Sir, Master of your Art.

Iuc. While you, sweet Dear, prove Mistress of my Heart

Hor. Quick Proceeders marry; now tell me I pray
you that durst swear that your Mistress Bianca lov'd none

in the World fo well as Lucentio.

Tra. Oh despightful Love, unconstant Womankind!

I tell thee, Licio, this is wonderful.

Hr. Mistake no more, I am not Licio, Nor a Musician, as I seem to be, But one that scorn to live in this Disguise, For such a one as leaves a Gentleman, And makes a God of such a Cullion; Know, Sir, that I am call'd Hortensio.

Tra. Signior Hortensio, I have often heard Of your entire Affection to Bianca, And fince mine Eyes are witness of her Lightness, I will with you, if you be so contented, Forswear Bianca and her Love for ever.

Here is my Hand, and here I firmly vow
Never to woo her more, but do forswear her
As one unworthy all the former Favours
That I have fondly flatter'd her withal.

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Tra. And here I take the like unfeigned Oath, Never to marry with her, tho' she would entreat. Fie on her, see how beastly she doth court him.

Hor. Would all the World but he had quite for fworn for me, that I may furely keep mine Oath, [her. I will be married to a wealthy Widow, Ere three days pass, which has as long lov'd me, as I have lov'd this proud diffainful Haggard. And so farewel, Signior Lucentio.

Kindness in Women, nor their beauteous Looks, shall win my Love; and so I take my leave, la resolution as I swore before.

Exit. Hor.

Tra. Mistress Bianca, bless you with such Grace, the largest had a large of the large of t

Aslongeth to a Lover's bleffed Cafe r Nay, I have ta'en you napping, gentle Love, and have for fivorn you with Hortenfio.

Bian. Tranio, you jest: But have you both forsworn

Ira. Mistress, we have.

Luc. Then we are rid of Licio.

Tra. I'faith he'il have a lusty Widow now, that shall be woo'd and wedded in a day.

Bian. God give him Joy. Tra. Ay, and he'll tame her. Bian. He fays fo, Tranio.

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Tra. 'Faith he is gone unto the taming School.

Bian. The taming School? What is there such a Place?

Tra. Ay, Mistres, and Petruchio is the Master,

lat teacheth Tricks eleven and twenty long,

stame a Shrew, and charm her chattering Tongue.

Enter Biondello.

Bion. Oh Master, Master, I have watch'd so long, lat I am Dog-weary; but at last I 'spied ancient Angel coming down the Hill liferve the turn.

Ira. What is he, Biendello?

Bion. Master, a Marcantant, or a Pedant;
know not what; but formal in Apparel;
Gate and Countenance surly, like a Father.

Luc. And what of him, Tranio?
Tra. If he be credulous, and trust my Tale,
I'll make him glad to seem Vincentio,
And give Assurance to Baptista Minola,
As if he were the right Vincentio:
Take me your Love, and then let me alone.

[Ex. Luc, and Bian.

Enter a Pedant.

Ped. God save you, Sir.

Travel you far on, or are you at the farthest?

Ped. Sir, at the farthest for a Week or two;

But then up farther, and as far as Rome;

And so to Tripoly, if God lend me Life.

Tra. What Countryman, I pray?

Ped. Of Mantua.

Tra. Of Mantua, Sir? marry God forbid; And come to Padua, careless of your Life? Ped. My Life, Sir; how, I pray? for that goes hard,

Tra. 'Tis Death for any one in Mantua
To come to Padua; know you not the Cause?
Your Ships are staid at Venice, and the Duke,
For private Quarrel 'twixt your Duke and him,
Hath publish'd and proclaim'd it openly:
'Tis marvel, but that you are but newly come,

You might have heard it else proclaim'd about.

Ped. Alas, Sir, it is worse for me than so;

For I have Bills for Money by Exchange From Florence, and must here deliver them.

Tra. Well, Sir, to do you Courtesie, This will I do, and this I will advise you; First tell me, have you ever been at Pisa? Ped. Ay, Sir, in Pisa have I often been;

Pifa renowned for grave Citizens.

Tra. Among them know you one Vincentio?
Ped. I know him not, but I have heard of him;

A Merchant of incomparable Wealth.

In Count'nance somewhat doth resemble you.

Bion. As much as an Apple doth an Oyster, and all one.

Tra. To fave your Life in this Extremity,
This Favour will I do you for his fake;
And think it not the worst of all your Fortunes
That you are like to Sir Vincentio:
His Name and Credit shall you undertake,
And in my House you shall be friendly Lodg'd:
Look that you take upon you as you should.
You understand me, Sir: So shall you stay
Till you have done your Business in the City.
If this be Court'sie, Sir, accept of it:

Ped. Oh, Sir, I do, and will repute you ever The Patron of my Life and Liberty.

Tra. Then go with me to make the matter good:
This by the way I let you understand,
My Father is here look'd for every Day,
To pass affurance of a Dowre in Marriage
'Twixt me and one Baptista's Daughter here:
In all these Circumstances I'll instruct you:
Go with me, Sir, to cloath you as becomes you. [Exeunt]

ACT V. SCENE I.

Enter Katharina and Grumio.

Gru. No, no, Forfooth, I dare not for my Life.

Kath. The more my Wrong; the more his

Spite appears:

What, did he marry me to famish me?
Beggars that come unto my Father's Door,
Upon intreaty, have a present Alms;
If not, elsewhere they meet with present Charity:
But I, who never knew how to intreat,
Nor never needed, that I should intreat.
Am starv'd for Meat, giddy for lack of Sleep;
With Oaths kept waking, and with Brawling fed;
And that which spights me more than all these Wants,

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He does it under name of perfect Love; As who would fay, if I should sleep or eat Twere deadly Sickness, or else present Death; I prethee go, and get me some Repast; I care not what, fo it be wholesome Food.

Gru. What fay you to a Neat's Foot?

Kath. 'Tispassing good; I prithee let me have it.

Gru. I fear it is too Flegmatick a Meat:

How say you to a fat Tripe finely broil'd? Kath. I like it well; good Grumio, fetch it me.

Gru. I cannot tell, I fear it is Cholerick: What fay you to a piece of Beef and Mustard?

Kath. A Dish that I do love to feed upon. Gru. Ay, but the Mustard is too hot a little.

Kath. Why then the Beef, and let the Mustard rest. Gru. Nay then I will not; you shall have the Mustard,

Or else you get no Beef of Grumio.

Kath. Then both, or one, or any thing thou wilt. Gru. Why then the Mustard without the Beef. Kath. Go, get thee gone, thou falle deluding Slave,

Beats bim

That feed'it me with the very name of Meat: Sorrow on thee, and all the pack of you That triumph thus upon my Mifery. Go, get thee gone, I say.

Enter Petruchio and Hortenfio with Meat. Pet. How fares my Kate? What, Sweeting, all amort?

Hor. Mistress, what cheer? Kath. 'Faith as cold as can be.

Pet. Pluck up thy Spirits; look cheerfully upon me; Here Love, thou feest how diligent I am, To dress thy Meat my self, and bring it thee;

I am fure fweet Kate, this Kindness merits thanks. What, not a Word? Nay then, thou lov'st it not: And all my Pains is forted to no proof.

Here take away the Dish.

Kath. I pray you let it stand. Pet. The poorest Service is repaid with Thanks, And so shall mine before you touch the Meat.

Kate. I thank you, Sir.

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Her. Signior Petruchio, fie, you are to blame:
Come, Mistress Kate, I'll bear you Company.
Pet. Eat it up all, Hertensio, if thou lovest me,
Much good do it unto thy gentle Heart;
Kate, eat apace. And now my honey Love,
Will we return unto thy Father's House,
And Revel it as bravely as the best,
With silken Coats, and Caps, and golden Rings,
With Ruffs, and Cuffs, and Fardingals, and things:
With Scars, and Fans, and double change of Brav'ry,
With Amber Bracelets, Beads and all this Knav'ry.
What, hast thou din'd? The Taylor stays thy leisure,
To deck thy Body with his russing Treasure.

Enter Taylor.

Come, Taylor, let us see these Ornaments.

Enter Haberdasher.

Lay forth the Gown. What News with you, Sir?

Hab. Here is the Cap your Worship did bespeak.

Pet. Why this was moulded on a Porrenger,

A Velvet Dish; Fie, sie, 'tis lewd and filthy:

Why 'tis a Cockle or a Wallnut-shell,

A Knack, a Toy, a Trick, a Baby's Cap.

Away with it, come, let me have a bigger.

Kath. I'll have no bigger, this doth fit the time,

And Gentlewomen wear such Caps as these.

Pet. When you are gentle, you shall have one too,

and not 'till then.

Her. That will not be in haste.

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Kath. Why, Sir. I trust I may have leave to speak, and speak I will. I am no Child, no Babe, sour Betters have endur'd me say my Mind; and if you cannot, best you stop your Ears. My Tongue will tell the Anger of my Heart, or else my Heart concealing it will break; and rather than it shall, I will be free, wen to the uttermost as I please in words.

Pet. Why thou say it true, it is a paltry Cap, soustand Costin, a Bauble, a silken Pie, love thee well in that thou lik'st it not.

Kath. Love me, or love me not, I like the Cap,

And it I will have, or I will have none.

Pet. Thy Gown? why ay; come, Taylor, let us see's O mercy Heav'n, what masking Stuff is here? What? this a Sleeve? 'tis like a Demi-cannon; What, up and down carv'd like an Apple-Tart? Here's snip, and nip, and cut, and slish, and slash, Like to a Censer in a Barber's Shop:

Why what a Devil's name, Taylor, call'st thou this?

Hor. I see she's like to have neither Cap nor Gown:

Tay. You bid me make it orderly and well,

According to the Fashion of the Time.

Pet. Marry and did: But if you be remembred, I did not bid you marr it to the Time.
Go hop me over every Kenrel home,
For you shall hop without my Custom, Sir:
I'll none of it; hence, make your best of it.
Kath. I never say a better fashion'd Gown,

More queint, more pleafing, nor more commendable:

Belike you mean to make a Puppet of me.

Pet. Why true, he means to make a Puppet of thee.

Tay. She fays your Worship means to make a Pupper of her.

Pet. Oh most monstrous Arrogance!
Thou lyest, thou Thread, thou Thimble,
Thou Yard, three Quarters, half Yard, Quarter, Nail
Thou Flea, thou Nit, thou winter Cricket thou!
Brav'd in mine own House with a Skein of Thread!
Away, thou Rag, thou Quantity, thou Remnant,
Or I shall so be-mete thee with thy Yard,
As thou shalt think on prating whilst thou liv'st:
I tell thee I, that thou hast marr'd her Gown.

Tay. Your Worship is deceiv'd, the Gown is made

Just as my Master had Direction.

Grumio gave Order how it should be done:

Gru. I gave him no Order, I gave him the Stuff. Tay. But how did you desire it should be made? Gru. Marry, Sir, with Needle and Thread. Tay. But did you not request to have it Cut?

Gru. Thou hast fac'd many things.

Tay. I have.

Gru. Face not me: Thou hast brav'd many Men, brave not me; I will neither be fac'd nor brav'd. I say unto thee, I bid thy Master cut out the Gown, but I did not bid him cut it to pieces. Ergo thou liest.

Tay. Why here is a note of the Fashion to testifie.

Pet. Read it.

Gru. The Note lies in's Throat, if he fay I did fo.

Tay. Imprimis, a loofe bodied Gown.

Gru. Matter, If ever I said loose-bodied Gown, sow me in the Skirts of it, and beat me to Death with a Bottom of brown Thread: I said a Gown.

Pet. Proceed.

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Tay. With a small compast Cape.

Gru. I confess the Cape.
Tay. With a Trunk Sleeve.

Gru. I confess two Sleeves.
Tay. The Sleeves curiously cut.

Pet. Ay, there's the Villany.

Gru. Error i'th Bill, Sir, Error i'th Bill: I commanded the Sleeves should be cut out, and sow'd up again, and that I'll prove upon thee, tho' thy little Finger be armed in a Thimble.

Tay. This is true that I say, and I had thee in Place

where, thou should'st know it

Gru. I am for thee straight: take thou the Bill, give me thy mete Yard, and spare not me.

Her. God-a-mercy, Grumio, then he shall have no odds.

Pet. Well, Sir, in brief the Gown is not for me. Gru. You are i'th' right, Sir, 'tis for my Mistress.

Pet. Gotake it up unto thy Mafter's ule.

Gru. Villain, not for thy Life: Take up my Mistres's Cown for thy Master's use!

Pet. Why, Sir, what's your Conceit in that?

Gru. Oh, Sie, the Conceit is deeper than you think for; Take up my Mistresses Gown unto his Master's use? Oh sie, sie, sie.

Pet. Hortenfio, fay thou wilt fee the Taylor paid. [Afide.

Go take it hence, be gone, and fay no more.

Hor. Taylor, I'll pay thee for thy Gown to morrow, Take no unkindness of his hasty Words:

Away I say, commend me to thy Master. [Exit. Topl. Pet. Well, come my Kute, we will unto your Father's, Even in these honest mean Habiliments; Our Purses shall be proud, our Garments poor;

For 'tis the Mind that makes the Body rich.

And as the Sun breaks through the darkest Clouds,
So Honour peereth in the meanest Habit.

So Honour peereth in the meanest Habit.

What is the Jay more precious than the Lark,

Because his Feathers are more beautiful?

Or is the Adder better than the Eel,

Because his painted Skin contents the Eve?

Because his painted Skin contents the Eye?
Oh no good Kate, neither art thou the worse
For this poor Furniture, and mean Array.
If thou account's it Shame, lay it on me;
And therefore Frolick, we will hence for thwith.

To Feast and Sport us at thy Father's House. Go call my Men, and let us straight to him, And bring our Horses unto Long-Lane end,

There will we mount, and thither walk on Foot. Let's fee, I think 'tis now some seven a Clock, And well we may come there by Dinner time.

And 'twill be Supper-time ere you come there.

Pet. It shall be seven ere I go to Horse: Look what I speak, or do, or think to do, You are still crossing it; Sirs, let's alone,! I will not go to day, and ere I do,

It shall be what a Clock I say it is.

Her. Why so: this Gallant will command the Sun.

Enter Tranio, and the Pedant dreft like Vincentio.

Tra. Sirs, this is the House, please it you that I call? Ped. Ay, what else, and but I be deceived,

Signior Baptista may remember me Near twenty Years ago in Genoa.

Tra. Where we were Lodgers at the Pegasus:
'Tis well, and hold your own in any case
With such Austerity as longeth to a Father.

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Enter Biondello.

Ped. I warrant you: But, Sir, here comes your Boy;

Tra. Fear you not him; Sirrah Biondell:, Now do your Duty throughly I advise you: magine 'twere the right Vincentie.

Bion. Tut, fear not me.

Tra. But hast thou done thy Errand to Baptista?
Bion. I told him that your Father was in Venice.

And that you look'd for him in Padua.

Tra. Th'art a tall Fellow, hold thee that to drink, Here comes Baptista, set your Countenance, Sir.

Enter Baptista and Lucentio.

Tra. Signior Baptista, you are happily met: Sir, this is the Gentleman I told you of; I pray you stand, good Father, to me now, Give me Bianca for my Patrimony.

Ped. Soft, Son. Sir, by your leave, having come to Padua
To gather in some Debts, my Son Lucentio
Made me acquainted with a weighty Cause
Of Love between your Daughter and himself:
And for the good Report I hear of you,
And for the Love he beareth to your Daughter,
And she to him; to stay him not too long,
Iam content in a good Father's Care
To have him match'd, and if you please to like
No worse than I, Sir, upon some Agreement,
Me shall you find most ready and most willing

With one consent to have her so bestowed:

For curious I cannot be with you,

Signior Baptista, of whom I hear so well.

Bap. Sir, pardon me in what I have to say,
Your Plainness and your Shortness please me well:
Right true it is, your Son Lucentio here
Doth love my Daughter, and she loveth him,
Or both dissemble deeply their Affections:
And therefore if you say no more than this,
That like a Father you will deal with him,
And pass my Daughter a sufficient Dowry,
The Match is made, and all is done,

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Your Son shall have my Daughter with consent.

Tra. I thank you, Sir, where then you do know belt Be we affied, and such affurance ta'en,

As shall with either Parts Agreement fland.

Bap. Not in my House, Lucentio, for you know Pitchers have Ears, and I have many Servants? Besides old Gremio is hearkning still,

And haply we might be interrupted.

Tra. Then at my Lodging, and it like you, Sir; There doth my Father lye; and there this Night We'll pass the Business privately and well: Send for your Daughter by your Servant here, My Boy shall fetch the Scrivener presently. The worst is this, that at so send servant you are like to have a thin and slender Pittance.

Bap. It likes me well.

Cambio, hie you home, and bid Bianca make her ready

ftraight:
And if you will, tell what hath happen'd,
Lucentio's Father is arriv'd in Padua,
And how she's like to be Lucentio's Wife.

Luc. I pray the Gods she may with all my Heart. [Ex

Enter Peter.

Signior Baptista, shall I lead the way?
Welcome! one Mess is like to be your Cheer.
Come, Sir, we will better it in Pisa.

Bap. I follow you.

Enter Lucentio and Biondello.

Bion. Cambio.

Luc. What fay'ft thou, Biondello?

Bion. You law my Mafter wink and laugh upon you.

Luc. Biondello, what of that?

Bion. 'Faith nothing; but has left me here behind to expound the Meaning or Moral of his Signs and Tokens. Luc. I pray thee moralize them.

Bien. Then thus, Baptista is fale talking with the deceiving Father of a deceitful Son.

Luc. And what of him?

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Bion. His Daughter is to be brought by you to the Supper.

Luc. And then?

Bion. The old Priest at St. Luke's Church is at your Command at all Hours.

Luc. And what of all this?

Bion. I cannot tell, except they are busied about a counterfeit Assurance; take you Assurance of her, Cum privilegio ad Imprimendum solum, to th' Church take the Priest, Clark, and some sufficient honest Witnesses:

If this be not that you look for, I have no more to say,

But bid Bianca farewel for ever and a day.

Luc. Hear'st thou, Biondello?

Bion. I cannot tarry; I knew a Wench married in an Afternoon as she went to the Garden for Parsley to stuff a Rabit, and so may you, Sir: And so adieu, Sir; my Master hath appointed me to go St. Luke's to bid the Priest be ready to come, against you come with your Appendix.

Luc. I may and will, if she be so contented:

She will be pleas'd, then wherefore should we doubt?

Hap what hap may, I'll roundly go about her:

It shall go hard if Cambio go without her.

Enter Petruchio, Katharina, and Hortenfio.

Pet. Come on a God's name, once more towards our Father's.

Good Lord, how bright and goodly shines the Moon.

Kath. The Moon the Sun; it is not Moon-light now.

Pet. I say it is the Moon that shines so bright.

Kath. I know it is the Sun that shines so bright.
Pet. Now by my Mother's Son, and that's my felf.

It shall be Moon or Star, or what I list, Or e'er I journey to your Father's House: Go on, and setch our Horses back again. Evermore crost and crost, nothing but crost!

Hor. Say as he says, or we shall never go.

Kath. Forward I pray, since we have come so far,
And be it Moon, or Sun, or what you please:
And if you please to call it a Rush Candle,
Henceforth I yow it shall be so for me.

Pet. I say it is the Moon. Kath. I know it is the Moon.

Pet. Nay, then you lye; it is the bleffed Sun. Kath. Then God be bleft, it is the bleffed Sun-

But Sun it is not, when you fay it is not, And the Moon changes even as your Mind. What will you have it nam'd, even that it is, And foit shall be fo, for Katherine.

Hor. Petruchio go thy way, the Field is won. Pet. Well, forward, forward, thus the Bowl should run;

And not unluckily against the Bias : But foft, Company is coming here.

Enter Vincentio.

Good morrow, gentle Mistress, where away? To Vin. Tell me, sweet Kate, and tell me truly too, Hast thou beheld a fresher Gentlewoman: Such war of white and red between her Cheeks: What Stars do spangle Heav'n with such Beauty, As those two Eyes become that heav'nly Face? Fair lovely Maid, once more good day to thee: Sweet Kate, embrace her for Beauties fake.

Hor. He will make the Man mad to make a Woman of

him.

Kath. Young budding Virgin, fair, and fresh, and sweet, Whither away, or where is thy Aboad? Happy the Parents of fo fair a Child; Happier the Man whom favourable Stars

Allots thee for his lovely Bedsellow. Pet. Why, how now, Kate, I hope thou art not mad!

This is a Man, old, wrinkled, faded, withered,

And not a Maiden, as thou fay'ft he is.

Kath. Pardon, old Father, my mistaken Eyes, That have been so bedazled with the Sun, That every thing I look on feemeth green. Now I perceive thou art a reverend Father: Pardon, I pray thee, for my mad mistaking.

Pet. Do, good old Grandsir, and withal make known

Which way thou travellest; if along with us, We shall be joyful of thy Company.

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Pin. Fair Sir, and you merry, Mistress,
That with your strange Encounter much amaz'd me a
My Name is call'd Vincentio, my divelling Pifa,
And bound lam to Padua, there so visit
A Son of mine, which long I have not seen.

Pet. What is his Name?

Vin. Lucontin, Gentle Sir.

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Pet. Happily met, the happier for thy Son;
And now by Law, as well as reverend Age,
I may entitle thee my loving Father:
The Sifter of my Wife, this Gentlewoman,
Thy Son by this hath married. Wonder not,
Nor be not griev'd, the is of good Esteem,
Her Dowry wealthy, and of worthy Birth;
Beside, so qualified, as may beseem
The Spoule of any noble Gentleman.

The Spoule of any noble Gentleman.
Let me embrace with old Vincentio,
And wander we to fee thy honest Son,
Who will of thy Arrival be full Joyous.

Vin. But is this true, or is it else your Pleasure, Like pleasant Travellers to break a Jest Upon the Company you overtake?

Her. I do affure thee, Father, foit is.

Pet. Come, go along, and see the Truth hereof.
For our first Merriment hath made thee jealous. [Exeunt.

Hor. Well Petruchio, this hath put me in Heart, Have to my Widow, and if she be froward, Then hast thou taught Hortensio to be untoward. [Exit. Inter Biondello, Lucentio and Bianca, Gremio walking on one Side.

Bion. Softly and swiftly Sir, for the Priest is ready.

Luc. I fly, Biondello, but they may chance to need thee at Home, therefore leave us.

Bion. Nay, Faith, I'll see the Church o' your Back and then come back to my Mistress as soon as I can. [Excunts Gre. I marvel Cambio comes not all this while.

Enter Petruchio, Katherina, Vincentio and Grumio, with Attendants.

Pet. Sir, here's the Door, this is Lucentio's House, My Father's bears more towards the Market-Place,

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Thither must I, and here I leave you, Sir.

Vin. You shall not chuse but drink before you go! I think I shall command your welcome here;

And by all likelyhood fome Cheer is toward. Knock Gre. They're busie within, you were best knock louder

Pedant looks out at the Window Ped. What's he that knocks as he would beat down 1

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the Gate? Vin. Is Signior Lucentio within, Sir?

Ped. He's within Sir, but not to he spoken withal,

Vin. What if a Man bring him a hundred Pound of two to make merry withal.

Ped. Keep your hundred Pounds to your felf, he shi to late, (ull now with of

not need as long as I live.

Pet. Nay, I told you your Son was belov'd in Padua; do you hear, Sir, to leave frivolous Circumstances; pray you tell Signior Lucentio that his Father is come from Pifa, and is here at the Door to speak with him.

Ped. Thou lieft, his Father is come from Padua, and

here looking out at the Window.

Vin. Art thou his Father?

Ped. Ay, Sir, so his Mother fays, if I may believe her. Pet. Why, how now, Gentleman! why, this is fla Knavery to take upon you another Man's Name.

Ped. Lay Hands on the Villain, I believe he means to cozen some Body in this City under my Countenance.

Enter Biondelle.

Bion. I have feen them in the Church together. God fend them good Shipping: But who is here? Mine old Master Vincentio? Now we are undone, and brought to nothing.

Vin. Come hither, Crackhemp. [Seeing Biondello

Bion. I hope I may chuse, Sir.

Vin. Come hither you Rogue, what have you forgot me Bion. Forgot you? no Sir: I could not forget you for I never faw you before in all my Life.

Vin. What, you notorious Villain, didst thou never

fee thy Master's Father Vincentio?

Bion. What, my old worshipful old Master? Yes, marry, Sir, fee where he looks out of the Window. Vis

Vin. Is't so indeed?

Bion. Help, help, help here's a Mad-man will murther me.

Ped. Help, Son, help Signior Baptista.

Pet. Prethee, Kate, let's stand aside, and see the End of

his Controversie.

Enter Pedant with Servants, Baptista and Tranio.
Tra. Sir, what are you that offer to beat my Servant?
Vin. What am I, Sir; nay, what are you, Sir? Oh immortal Gods! Oh fine Villain, a filken Doublet, a relvet Hose, a scarlet Cloak and a copatain Hat: Oh I mundone, I am undone; while I play the good Husband t Home, my Son and my Servants spend all at the University.

Tra. How now, what's the matter?

Bap. What, is the Man lunatick?

Tra. Sir, you feem a fober ancient Gentleman by your Habit, but your Words shew you a Mad-man; why, Sir, what concerns it you, if I wear Pearl and Gold; I thank my good Father, I am able to maintain it.

Vin. Thy Father! Oh Villain, he is a Sail-maker in

Bergamo.

Bap. You mistake, Sir, you mistake, Sir; pray what

do you think is his Name?

Vin. His Name, as if I knew not his Name: I have brought him up ever fince he was three Years old, and his Name is Tranio.

Ped. Away, away mad Afs, his Name is Lucentio, and he is mine only Son, and Heir to the Lands of me Signior

Vincentia.

Vin. Lucentio! Oh he hath murthered his Master; lay hold on him I charge you in the Duke's Name; oh my Son, my Son, tell me, thou Villain, where is my Son Lucentio?

Tra. Call forth an Officer; carry this mad Knave to the Jail; Father Baptista, I charge you see that he be forth-

coming.

Vin. Carry me to Jail?

Gre. Stay, Officer, he shall not go to Prison.

Bap. Talk not, Signior Gremio: I say he shall go to

Gre.

catch'd in this Business; I dare swear this is the right Vincentie.

Ped. Swear, if thou dar's. Gre. Nay, I dare not swear it.

Tra. Then thou wert best fay, that I am not Lucentio,

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Bap. Away with the Dotard, to the Jail with him.

Enter Lucentio and Bianca.

Vin. Thus Strangers may be hal'd and abus'd; ob mon arous Villain,

Bion. Oh we are spoil'd, and yonder he is, deny him forswear him, or else we are all undone.

[Exit Biondello, Tranio and Pedant as fast as may be co. Pardon, sweet Father. [Kneeling

Luc. Pardon, sweet Father. Vin. Lives my sweet Son? Bion. Pardon, dear Father.

Bap. How hast theu offended? where is Lucentio?

Luc. Here's Lucentio, right Son to the right Vincentio, That have by Marriage made thy Daughter mine; While counterfeit Suppofers bleer'd thine Eye.

Gre. Here's packing with a witness to deceive us all.

Vin. Where is that damn'd Villain Tranio, That fac'd and brav'd me in this Matter fo?

Bap. Why, tell me, is not this my Cambio? Bian. Cambio is chang'd into Lucentio.

Luc. Love wrought these Miracles. Bianca's Love

Made me exchange my State with Tranio.

While he did bear my Countenance in the Town;

And happily I have arriv'd at last Unto the wished Haven of my Blis;

What Tranio did, my self enforc'd him to; Then pardon him, sweet Father, for my Sake.

Vin. I'll flit the Villain's Nose that would have sent me to the fail.

Bap. But do you hear, Sir, have you married my Daughter without asking my good Will?

Vin. Fear not, Baptista, we will content you, go to:
but I willin, to be reveng'd on this Villain.

[Exit.

Bap. And I to found the Depth of this Knavery. [Exit.

Luc. Look not pale, Bianca, thy Father will not frown.

Gre. My Cake is Dough, but I'll among the reft, out of Hope of all, but my Share of the Feaft. Kath. Husband let's follow, to fee the end of this ado.

Pet. First kissme, Kate, and we will. Kath. What, in the midft of the Street?

Pet. What, art thou afham'd of me?
Kath. No, Sir, God forbid; but afham'd to kifs.

Pat. Why then let's Home again: Come, Sirrah, let's

Kath. Nay, I will give thee a Kiss; now pray thee ove, stay.

Pet. Is not this well? Come, my fweet Kate; atter once than never, for never too late. Exeunt.

ACT V. SCENE.

ther Baptista, Vincentio, Gremio, Pedant, Lucentio, Bianca, Tranio, Biondello, Petruchio, Katharina, Grumio, Hortenho and Widow. Tranio's Servants bringing in a Banquet.

Im. A T last, the long, our jarring Notes agree; And time it is when raging War is done, Io smile at 'Scapes and Perils over-blown. Myfair Bianca, bid my Father welcome, while I with felf-fame Kindness welcome thine; Brother Petruchio, Sifter Kutharine, Ind thou Hortenfio, with thy loving Widow; full with the best, and welcome to my House, by Banquet is to close our Stomachs up After our great good Cheer: Pray you fit down, for now we fit to chat as well as eat.

let. Nothing but fit and fit, and eat and eat! Rap. Padua affords this Kindness, Son Petruchio.

Fet. Padua affords nothing but what is kind.

Her. For both our Sakes I would that Word were true.

Pet.

Pet. Now for my Life Hortenfio fears his Widow.

Hor. Then never trust me if I be afeard.

Pet. You are very sensible, and yet you miss my Sen I mean Hortensio is afeard of you.

Wid. He that is giddy thinks the World turns round

Pet. Roundly replied.

Kath. Mistress, how mean you that?

Wid. Thus I conceive by him.

Pet. Conceives by me, how likes Hertensie that?

Hor. My Widow says, thus she conceives her Tale,

Pet. Very well mended, kis him for that, good sow.

Kath. He that is giddy thinks the World turns round I pray you tell me what you meant by that.

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Wid. Your Husband being troubled with a Shrew,

Measure's my Husband's Sorrow by his Woe;

And now you know my Meaning.

Kath A very mean Meaning.

Wid. Right, I mean you.

Kath. And I am mean indeed, respecting you.

Pet. To her, Kate. Her. To her, Widow.

Pet. A hundred Marks, my Kate do put her down.

Hor. That's my Office.

Pet. Spoke like an Officer; ha, to thee Lad.

Bap. How likes Gremio these quick witted Folks?
Gre. Believe me, Sir, they butt Heads together we

Bian. Head, and but? an hasty-witted Bod?
Would say, your Head and But were Head and Horn.
Vin. Ay, Mistress Bride, hath that awaken'd you?
Bian. Ay, but not frighted me, therefore I'll say

Pet. Nay, that thou shall not since you have begun

Have at you for a better Jest or two.

Bian. Am I your Bird: I mean to shift my Bush.

And then pursue me as you draw your Bow.

You are welcome all. [Exit Bianca, Kath. and Win Pet. She hath prevented me. Here Signior Trans, This Bird you aim'd at, tho' you hit it not,

perefore a Health to all that shot and mis'd. Tra. Oh, Sir, Lucentio flipt me like his Gray-hound, hich runs himself, and catches for his Master. Pd. A good swift Simile, but something currish. Tra. 'I is well, Sir, that you hunted for your felf: sthought your Deer does hold you at a Bay. Bap. Oh, oh, Petruchio, Tranio hits you now. Lik. I thank thee for that Gird, good Tranio. Her. Confess, confess, hath he not hit you there? Pet. He has a little gall'd me, I confess;

ad as the Jest did glance away from me, is ten to one it maim'd you two outright. Bap. Now in good Sadness, Son Petruchio, think thou hast the veriest Shrew of all.

Pet. Well, I say no; and therefore for Assurance, et's each one fend unto his Wife, nd he whose Wife is most obedient, ocome at first when he doth send for her, hall win the Wager which we will propose.

Hor. Content, what's the Wager?

Pet. Twenty Crowns!

Il venture fo much on my Hawk or Hound, ut twenty times fo much upon my Wife.

Luc. A hundred then.

Her. Content.

Pet. A match, 'tis done.

Hor. Who shall begin?

Luc. That will I.

b, Biondello, bid your Mistress come to me. Bion. I go.

Bap. Son, I'll be your half, Bianca comes.

Luc. I'll have no halves: I'll bear it all my felf. Enter Biondello.

low now, what News?

Bion. Sir, my Mistress sends you Word hat she is busie, and cannot come.

Pet. How? she's busie, and cannot come: Is that an Answer?

Gre. Ay, and a kind one too.

Exit.

Pray

Pray God, Sir, your Wife fend you not a worfe.

Fet. I hope better.

Hor. Sirvah Biondello, go and intreat my Wife to come to me forthwith.

Pet. Oh ho! intreat her! nay then the needs must com

Hor. I am afraid, Sir, do what you can,

Enter Biondello.

Yours will not be entreated: Now, where's my Wife?

Bion. She fays you have fome goodly Jest in Hand,

She will not come: She bids you come to her.

Pet. Worse and worse, she will not come!

Oh wile intelesable not to be indured:

Oh vile, intolerable, not to be indur'd: Sirrah Grumio, go to your Mistress, Say I command her to come to me.

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Hor. I know her answer.

Pet. What?

Hor. She will not.

Pet. The fouler Fortune mine, and there's an end.

Enter Katharina.

Bap. Now, by my Hollidam, here comes Katherine. Kath. What is your Will, Sir, that you fend for me? Pet. Where is your Sister, and Hortensio's Wise? Kath. They sit conferring by the Parlour Fire.

Pet. Go, fetch them hither; if they deny to come, Swinge me them foundly forth unto their Husbands:

Away, I say, and bring them hither straight. [Exit Kath.] Luc. Here is a Wonder, if you talk of a Wonder.

Hor. And so it is: I wonder what it boads.

Pet. Marry, Peace it boads, and Love, and quiet Life, And awful Rule and right Supremacy:

And to be short, what not, that's sweet and happy.

Bap. Now fair befall thee, good Petruchio:

The Wager thou halt won, and I will add
Unto their Losses twenty thousand Crowns,
Another Dowry to another Daughter,
For she is chang'd as she had never been.

Pet. Nay, I will win my Wager better yet,
And show more Sign of her Obedience.
Her new-built Virtue and Obedience.

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Enter Katharina, Bianca and Widow.

ewhere she comes, and brings your froward Wives
prisoners to her womanly Persuasions:
abarine, that Cap of yours becomes you not,
f with that Bauble, and throw it undersoot.

[She pulls off her Cap and throws it down.
Wid. Lord, let me have a Cause to sigh,
sill be brought to such a filly pass.
Bian. Fie, what a foolish Duty call you this?
Luc. I would your Duty were as foolish too:
he Wildom of your Duty, fair Bianca,
ath cost me an hundred Crowns since Supper-time.
Bian. The more Fool you for laying on my Duty.
Pet. Katherine, I chargethee tell these headstrong Women,
hat Duty they owe to their Lords and Husbands.

Wid. Come, come, your mocking; we will have no

Pet. Come on, I say; and first begin with her.

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Pet. I fay the fhall, and first begin with her. Kath. Fie, fie, unknit that threatning unkind Brow, nd dart not scornful Glances from those Eyes, owound thy Lard, thy King, thy Governor. blots thy Beauty, as Frosts bite the Meads, onfounds thy Fame, as Whirlwinds shake fair Buds, id in no Senie is meet or amiable. Woman mov'd is like a Fountain troubled, luddy, ill feeming, thick, bereft of Beauty; ad while it is fo, none fo dry or thirsty ill dain to fip, or touch a drop of it. by Husband is thy Lord, thy Life, thy Keeper, by Head, thy Sovereign; one that cares for thee nd for thy Maintenance: Commits his Body o painful Labour, both by Sea and Land; owatch the Night in Storms, the Day in Cold, hile thou ly'st warm at home, secure and safe, nd craves no other Tribute at thy Hands, ut Love, fair Looks, and true Obedience; oo little Payment for fo great a Debt. ch Duty as the Subject owes the Prince,

rensuch a Woman oweth to her Husband:

And when she is froward, peevish, sullen, sower, And not obedient to his honest Will; What is she but a foul contending Rebel, And graceless Traitor to her loving Lord? I am asham'd that Women are so simple, To offer War where they should kneel for peace: Or feek for Rule, Supremacy, and Sway, When they are bound to ferve, love, and obey. Why are our Bodies foft, and weak and smooth, Unapt to toil and trouble in the World, But that our foft Conditions, and our Hearts, Should well agree with our external Parts? Come, come, you're froward and unable Worms, My Mind hath been as big as one of yours, My Heart is great, my Reason haply more, To bandy Word for Word, and Frown for Frown: But now I fee our Launces are but Straws, Our Strength is weak, our Weakness past compare, That feeming to be most, which we indeed least are. Then vale your Stomachs, for it is no Boot, And place your Hands below your Husband's Foot: Intoken of which Duty, if he please, My Hand is ready, may it do him Ease.

Pet. Why, there's a Wench: Come on, and kiss n

Luc. Well, go thy ways, old Lad, for thou shalt hat Vin. 'Tis a good Hearing when Children are toward.
Luc. But a harsh Hearing when Women are froward.

Pet. Come, Kate, we'll to Bed,

We two are married, but you two are sped.
"Twas I won the Wager, tho' you hit the White,
And being a Winner, God give you good Night.

Hor. Now go thy Ways, thou hast tam'd a curst Shrew.
Luc. 'Tis a Wonder, by your leave, she will be tam'd



